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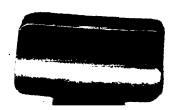
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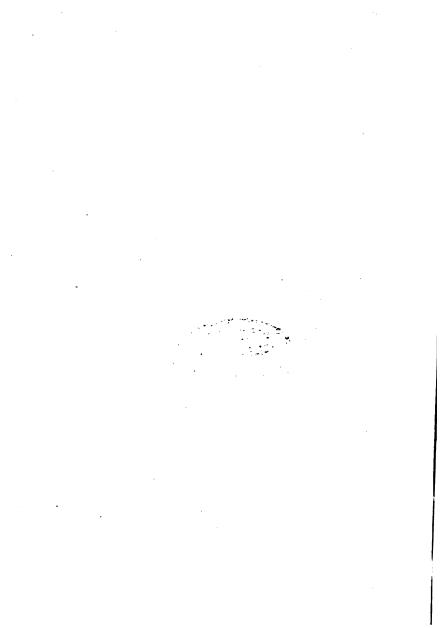
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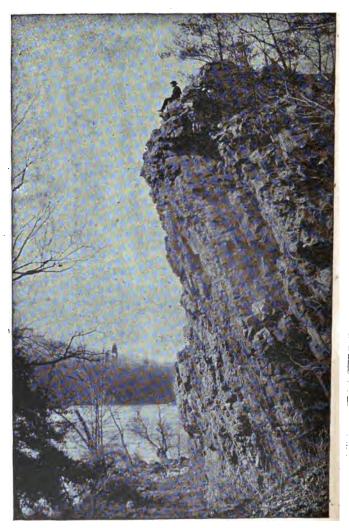
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ON THE FRENCH BROAD.

MOSES' PHONIC READERS.

A SERIES OF

SCHOOL READERS FOR TEACHING THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE BY SOUND.

FIRST READER

WITH 4,000 WORDS FOR SPELLING BY SOUND.

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"The laut or sound method is a perfectly natural method, and ought to be introduced into our schools. It is not the fault of Sir James Kay Shuttleworth that the revised code has so long pursued its disastrous course, ignoring or repudiating every principle of true education."—JOSEPH PAYNE.

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PREFACE.

This series of school books is based upon the principle that children may be taught to spell and read by sound thousands of English words as easily as words are taught in German schools. The method has long been followed in schools under the author's supervision and in the direction of the education of his children at home.

The present irrational mode of spelling some English words and the unscientific methods often employed in teaching all our words have frequently proven an insuperable barrier against the acquisition of a knowledge of the art of reading by a large class of children who have not been able to go to school long enough to learn how to read with sufficient ease and fluency to gain a love of literature before they must leave school to engage in the fierce struggle of bread-winning. To change irrational spelling is beyond our power, but to pursue a scientific mode of teaching reading is open to all teachers.

The phonic method of teaching children to read the many regular words in our language should not be ignored because, in a comparatively small number of our words, "there has been a departure from the unitary sounds of the vowels." There are irregularities in some German words, but because of this fact no teacher would think of returning to such irrational devices as "the word method," "the sentence method," or "the alphabetic method" in Prussia, where the sounds of the letters of the printed words have been universally used in teaching reading for about three-quarters of a century.

The word language itself shows that it was to be learned primarily through the tongue by an appeal to the ear and not to the eye.

By the use of the sound method, a child learns to read through his own efforts, and thus, by becoming a discoverer, is allowed to gain the mental power that follows such a course, and is not deprived of the genuine pleasure to which he is justly entitled. Again, by the use of the phonic method, letters are used for the identical purpose for which they were invented—"to represent a sound or an element of speech."

A printed word should not be presented as the sign of an idea. A child should be so taught that the letters of a printed word will suggest to him certain elementary sounds of human speech; these sounds will suggest a certain spoken word, which in turn will suggest the thing. This view, it is believed, is in entire accord with the doctrine which must eventually prevail in all our schools that "the genesis of knowledge in the individual must follow the genesis of knowledge in the race."

HOW TO LEARN THE SOUNDS.

Teachers and parents who have never been drilled in the elementary sounds will find it an easy task of less than half an hour to learn to utter them all, with a fair degree of accuracy, without the aid of an instructor. The sounds are forty-one in number, and are divided for convenience as follows:

I. THE VOWEL SOUNDS-17 IN NUMBER.

- 1. The long sounds: ā, ē, ī, ō, ū.
- 2. The short sounds: ă, ĕ, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ.
- 3. The â sound: Give the vowel sound heard in the word farm.
- 4. The aw sound: Give the vowel sound heard in word ball.
- 5. The e sound: Give the vowel sound heard in the word her.
- 6. The ô sound: Give the vowel sound heard in the word move.
- 7. The oo sound: Give the vowel sound heard in the word good.
- 8. The ow sound: Give the vowel sound heard in the word cow.
- 9. The oy sound: Give the vowel sound heard in the word boy.

II. THE CONSONANT SOUNDS-24 IN NUMBER

- I. To speak the b, d, j, k, p, t, v and z sounds, say the first part of the names of each letter. In other words, start to speak the names, but do not utter the vowel sound which is united with the true sound of the consonants to make the names of these letters.
- 2. To speak the f, l, m, n and s sounds, speak the names of these letters very slowly, and observe the sound which follows the vowel sound to form the names of the letters.
 - 3. To obtain the g sound, speak the first part of the word go.
- 4. To obtain the h sound, speak the first part of the word ho. This is merely a hard breathing.

- 5. To obtain the r sound, speak the first part of the word ray.
- 6. To obtain the w sound, speak the first part of the word we.
- 7. To obtain the y sound, speak the first part of the word ye.
- 8. To obtain the ch sound, speak the first part of the word chew.
- 9. To obtain the sh sound, speak the first part of the word she.
- 10. To obtain the th sound (flat), speak the first part of the word thou.
- 11. To obtain the th sound (sharp), speak the first part of the word thin.
- 12. To obtain the ng sound, speak the last part of the word ring.
- 13. To obtain the zh sound, speak the sound represented by the letter z in the word azure. This is not often found in short words.

A mirror will be helpful in enabling one to observe the proper position of the tongue in uttering the various elementary sounds. A conference with any competent stenographer will prove of interest.

Teachers are urged not to teach children any of the symbols for sounds until they are reached in due order in the spelling lessons.

THE SELECTION OF WORDS.

The first lists of words for spelling and reading contain only monosyllables, which Bulwer declared to be the foundation of language. The words have been selected with great care, with a view primarily to present such English words as can be taught through the ear. Some of these words, though not heard in the vocabulary of many children, may be met with by ambitious children early in their reading. They will also afford the teacher an opportunity to enlarge constantly the vocabulary of the children. Some teachers will doubtless be of opinion that it is useless to teach young children how to spell or read certain words included in the lists. Such words may easily be omitted. It was thought better to make the lists too large than too small.

PRONUNCIATION.

The authority for prounciation is Stormonth's English Dictionary. The language can be learned much more quickly by following this work than by following any American dictionary with which the author is acquainted. Besides, lexicographers on the other side of the Atlantic have much better facilities for hearing and reporting English speech than those who live in a colder country than England and in a land where English speech is an exotic. An unabridged

Stormonth's Dictionary can be purchased from any book-seller for one dollar and seventy-five cents—a price that puts it within the reach of every teacher. A dictionary, however, is not essential, as the true pronunciation of all words used may be found in this book.

OMISSION OF DIACRITICAL MARKS.

The plan of the work contemplates the teaching of the words of the language by sound, without the use of diacritical marks. These are unnecessary, and should not be resorted to, under any circumstances, in teaching little children.

A COMPARISON OF RESULTS.

By the use of various methods ordinarily used, children often spend their first year at school on a first reader containing but a few hundred words. By following out the course here laid down, children of fair ability who are regular in attendance can be taught to read and spell the first year of school from three thousand to four thousand words.

THE TEXT.

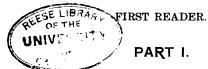
In the selection of reading matter, we have been guided largely by these wise observations in Rosenkranz' Philosophy of Education: "The proper classical works for youth are those which nations have produced in the childhood of their culture. . . . There may be produced out of the simplest and naïvest phases of different epochs of culture of one and the same people stories which answer to the imagination of children, and represent to them the characteristic features of the past of their people." We have long been of the opinion that there is nothing in our language in which children take so deep an interest as the Mother Goose Melodies. We have, therefore, given these simple songs a large portion of the space in this little book reserved for sentence reading.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS BOOK.

Attempts which the author made for years to teach reading by the phonic method, using text-books with words chosen apparently with little or no regard to phonic elements, were not altogether satisfactory, though the results were much better than had been secured through the use of any other method. At length, he became satisfied that the language could not be taught by sound with the best results so long as in the early reading lessons such literal monstrosities were found as one, once, two, four, who, buy, does, door, broad, any, and busy. To gather material for making the teaching of English words by sound as fruitful as possible, he was forced to prepare, for the use of teachers and pupils in his own schools, at the expense of much time and labor, long lists of words arranged strictly according to sound. This book is the outcome of these labors.

The reading of sentences should be postponed for a few months after the child enters school, because, when he begins reading sentences, he should be familiar enough with most of the words to fix his attention upon the meaning of what he reads, and not have his mind distracted by painful efforts to call the words.

Joseph Payne, the eminent English authority on education, declared a quarter of a century ago that the sound method had made little progress in England because of the lack of a proper book on the subject for the guidance of teachers. To make such a book has been the ambition of the author of this little work. It is his earnest desire to do something toward smoothing for the poorer classes of English speaking children—the rich have time enough before them—the rugged path that leads into the green fields of our noble English literature, of which they too are by birthright legal heirs. Whether he has met with any degree of success in his arduous undertaking, he leaves to the impartial judgment of his fellow-teachers.



DRILL ON SOUNDS FOR THE CULTIVATION OF THE EAR.

SUGGESTIONS TO TEACHERS.

I. On the first day of school, ask the child the names of things in sight in the school-room. You will thus be enabled to establish familiarity between the school-room and the outside world, and to find out how well the child can speak his mother tongue.

Many children, at the age of six, speak very indistinctly. Some of them cannot even speak their own names correctly. Smith may be Smif; Ethel, Effel; Robert, Wobbet, etc. If you find that the child has not been taught at home to speak correctly, teach him to talk before you attempt to teach him anything else. As all literature is based upon speech, correct speaking should always precede any attempts at spelling or reading. A good building cannot stand upon a faulty foundation.

II. When the child has learned to speak common words correctly, spell out by sound the following words, and ask him of what words he is reminded by the sounds which you give. Do not write these words. They are for the ear only. Do not leave these words until the child can give instantly any one of the words which you have spelled out for him by sound. Give the consonants a slightly explosive sound, especially l and r.

Joe	pay	je e	saw	by	how
toe	day	be	paw	high	mow
beau	bay	she	law	shy	bow
no	say	we	raw	die	row
so	lay	fe e	taw	dew	coo
mow	way	he	ha w	few	do
hoe	may	key	caw	mew	chew
1ow	ray	knee	thaw	pew	joy
go	hay	see	pie	new	boy
row	gay	ye	1ie	cow	toy
jay	he	jaw	my	now	Roy

III. Speak the words in the foregoing list as wholes, and require the child to separate them into their elementary sounds. In the list there are 28 of our 41 elementary sounds.

Especial attention should be paid to the position of the vocal organs. Show the child how each sound is made. Show that the b, p, and m sounds are made by simply moving the lips and expelling the breath, that the f sound is made by expelling the breath with the lips parted, and that the v sound is made by vocalising the breath with the lips in the same position as for the f sound. Show that in making the t, d, l, and n sounds the tip of the tougue is placed at the base of the upper teeth, and that the tongue must be thrust between the teeth to make the th sounds-sharp and flat. Let the child speak the ĕ, ĭ, ē sounds successively, and note how the tongue swings forward from the e position to the i position and still further forward for the ē position. Drill on the position of the vocal organs in forming the elementary characters is absolutely indispensable to secure the best results with all children except perhaps the few, comparatively, who have "quick ears." It is folly to attempt to teach spelling or reading by any method to any child who cannot clearly distinguish between the ĕ and ĭ sounds, or between the ĭ and ā and ē sounds, or between the 1 and n sounds.

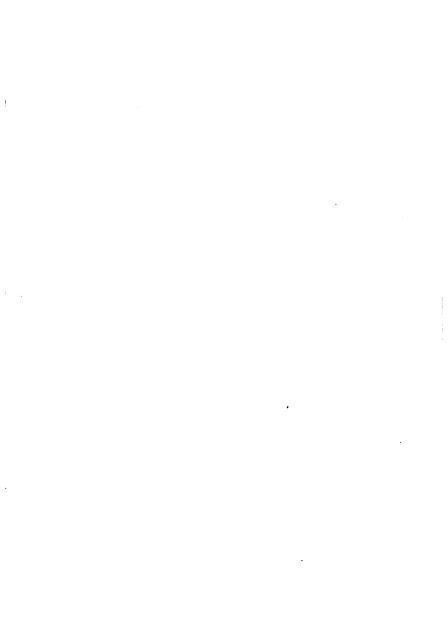
IV. Select from the list of words for spelling, on pages 11-14, a large number of words composed of three elementary sounds (as bat), separate these into their elementary sounds, and ask the child of what word the sounds remind him. If he has difficulty in determining the word, pronounce the first two sounds as one, and then give the last sound, e.g., bă-t. Continue this work, day by day, until the child can give instantly any word of three sounds which you spell out by sound.

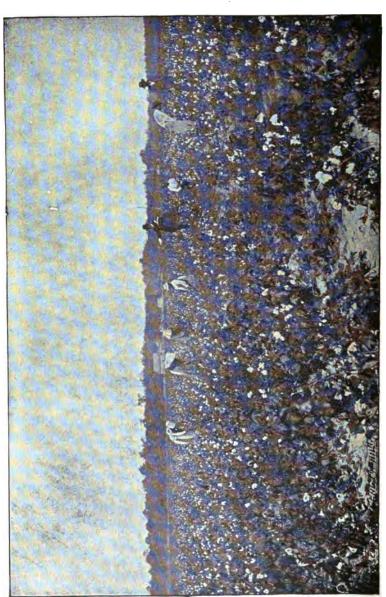
V. Speak many words composed of three elementary sounds as wholes, and require the child to separate them into their three elementary sounds. Do not permit him to separate them into two sounds, e. g., b-ăt.

It will require about two weeks to accomplish the work outlined above with a child of fair ability. Some children can do the work in less time; some require more time. This work should be done thoroughly in every case. As soon as it has been accomplished, the child should be shown the symbols (letters) that stand for some of these sounds—thirteen in number. But under no circumstances, attempt to teach the symbols of sounds until the child is familiar with the sounds themselves.

The thirteen symbols of sounds (letters) which are now to be taught are the following:

B D F G H L M N P R S T, and A for the short sound of a. We advise the use of the Roman letters at first, because they are much plainer than the small printed letters or the script, and were used long before the small letters or the script letters, which were fashioned after the small letters. As they were used by Virgil, Horace, and Cæsar, they can be used by little children for a few months without sacrifice of dignity. The children like them much better than any other letters. Every one who has studied little children during their first attempts at reading knows their partiality for "big letters." But after all, the sort of characters which the teacher chooses to use to represent sounds may well be left to her own discretion. These thirteen symbols are difficult to teach—the most difficult task demanded—because there is no real connection between a letter and the sound which it represents. We have found that all children easily associate a letter with the name of a person, e.g., S readily recalls Sam, after the child has been told to think of Sam at sight of S. The connection between the spoken word Sam and the sound represented by S is close enough to enable the child soon to give the proper sound at sight of the letter. If some child's name is given for each letter, the sounds which these thirteen letters represent may be learned in a period of time varying from a few days to several weeks. The teacher is urged not to leave this work with any child until he can readily give the sound at sight of each one of the thirteen letters and vice versa. When he can do this, he is ready to begin to print or write words at the teacher's dictation after having separated the words into their elementary sounds. This process is called SPELLING, and should precede reading. The first word ever written by man was first separated into its sounds, and the characters for each sound were then slowly written. It is impossible to account for the existence of written words with arbitrary characters for elementary sounds by any other hypothesis. Later, at sight of the characters, men uttered the elementary sounds which the characters were invented to represent, and were thus able to read that which had been written. A child in school should be taught to read every printed word he meets, which is regular, in precisely the same way.





PART II.

SPELLING.

All the words that follow are to be printed or written by the child before he shall have seen any one of them. All the instruction which . he will need to enable him to write them, if they are pronounced correctly, will appear at the head of each section. This information the teacher is expected to give to the pupil. When the thirteen characters B D F G H L M N P R S T and A (short sound) shall have been mastered, let the teacher send a child or a class to the blackboard, pronounce the first word in the list (bat) distinctly as a whole, and give a sentence or phrase containing it. Let the teacher be sure that the children understand the word and its meaning. Then require them in concert to repeat the word and separate it into its elementary Then let each child print or write upon the blackboard the proper character for each sound. If they have much difficulty, the teacher would do well, at first, to dictate each sound separately, b (sound) a (sound) t (sound), requiring the children to write the proper character for each sound as it is dictated. But if this latter course is adopted, it should not be followed longer than a few days, after which time the teacher should merely dictate the whole word with explanation of meaning, require the pupils themselves to separate it into its sounds, and write the proper character for each sound. Do not encourage the pupils to "study" these words. They are to be spelled by reliance on the ear-not the eye. The author hopes that the small type in which they are printed will be an effectual barrier against the conning over of the words by the children. Review daily the characters for the vowel sounds.

I. Words with the b, d, f, g, h, l, m, n, p, r, s, t and a Sounds. dab bat pat map Dan pan bag lag tag mad ham fat rat nap fan fag Mag bad pad ram nab ran hat sat rap man tan gag nag had sad Sam Rah Nan hag lad dam Tab mat gap sap яn sag am Nat lap tap

II. Show the character O for the & Sound.

dot pop hod sod mob dog log dol1* not tot or fop sop nod Bob rob fog for Tom Moll got pot Poll hot rot hop top pod fob sob hog nor on mop God rod lot sot

*Tell the child to write ll for the l sound at the end of words.

III. Show the character U for the ŭ Sound.

bum rum hut tut rub hull bud bug mug gun sup dug run nut dub tub gull mud pug gum sum up hub dull hug rug hum bun sun but rut mull us lug tug mum fun pup

IV. Show the character E for the ĕ Sound.

het met led Ren beg bell fell sell set men peg Ned get net bed den pen leg hem dell Nell tell let pet fed red hen ten

V. Show the character I for the i Sound.

hit tin lip big rig 1id rim nib fill sit pill fit it sin nip dig bid rid Tim rib gill rill dim bib if hill hit din in rip fig did sill lit fin him fib bill mill till dip sip gig hid hip tip pig pit pin

VI. Show the characters OO for the ô Sound.

boom room loop noon boot root hoof too woo food poor loom hoop moon soon hoot toot roof

VII. Show the characters OO for the oo Sound.

good hood foot soot

VIII. Tell the child that the aw Sound is represented by A before the letter L.

ball fall gall hall tall all

IX. Tell the child that the k Sound at the beginning of words is represented by the letter C.

cab cub cot cap cod cog coo coon coop coot call cob cat cut cup cud

X. Tell the child that the k Sound at the end of words is represented by the two letters CK.

back pack tack Nick tick luck tuck lock rock beck neck hack rack Dick pick buck Puck dock mock sock deck peck lack sack lick sick duck suck

XI. Tell the child that the ks Sound at the end of words is represented by the three letters CKS.

backs packs tacks necks ducks tucks picks ticks locks rocks hacks racks becks pecks sucks licks ricks docks mocks socks lacks sacks decks bucks

XII. Show the characters OY for the oy Sound.

boy Roy toy

XIII. Show the characters OU for the ow Sound.

out pout our sour loud

XIV. Tell the child that the i Sound is represented by the letter I with E silent at the end.

dine mine hide tide time mire life sidle rifle file* pile fine nine ride dime fire tire bite Bible pipe mile tile line pine side lime hire fife idle title ripe

*Tell the child that the long sound is followed by one lonly.

XV. Tell the child that the a Sound is represented by the letter A with E silent at the end.

date mate dame same hare nape mane gale ale fable maple fate pate fame tame mare tape pane male case gable fade gate rate game bare pare ape sane pale base table made hate ate lame care rare cane bale sale able ladle safe late came name fare cape lane dale tale cable

XVI. Tell the child that the \(\bar{0}\) Sound is represented by the letter O with E silent at the end.

ore gore tore hone hope rope mole mote home ode bogle bore more bone tone mope ope pole note nose rode robe core pore cone cope pope hole sole dome rose ogle dose fore sore XVII. Show the characters EE for the e Sound.

deed heed seed bee see feet beer peer peep beef seen feed need reed fee beet meet deer deep

XVIII. Tell the child that the ū Sound is represented by the letter U with E silent at the end.

cube tube cure pure cute mute dune tune fume mule bugle XIX. Tell the child that the è Sound is represented by the letter E.

her fern serf pert term

XX. Tell the child that the â Sound is represented by the letter A. Words containing this sound are difficult to teach because very many young children fail to perceive any difference between the â Sound and the ŏ Sound.

bar far arm harm card lard cart part barn barb harp car tar farm bard hard art dart tart darn carp

XXI. Show the character W for the w Sound.

web well win wick wide wife wine weep wore wee woof wag will wet wicks weed wane wipe wire wall woo wood wig wen wit wade

XXII. Show the character J for the j Sound.

jag jog jib Jack jam jut jade jole jee jar joy jig jug job Jill jet jibe Jane

XXIII. Show the character Y for the y (cons.) Sound.

yam yell yes yet yard yarn yule

XXIV. Show the character V for the v Sound.

van vale vine cave lave rave wave hive live hove wove vat vile veer gave pave save five dive cove rove Jove vim vane vote

XXV. Show the characters CH for the ch Sound.

chat chop chum chide cheer charm chicks much leech couch chit chub check chafe chase chart cheep such march pouch chap chill chick chime char checks rich beech parch perch chip chin chuck

XXVI. Show the characters SH for the sh Sound.

shad shun shade shock sheep gash mesh hush shed shell shame shuck hash dish share mush shine shire lash fish rush shag ship sharp shall shop sheet shoot shore mash wish harsh sham cash rash bosh shot shote shout marsh shin shut shave dash shape sash gush

XXVII. Show the characters TH for the th Sound (flat).

the then that thus with lathe booth thee
them than this thou bathe lithe mouth(v.) thine

XXVIII. Show the characters TH for the th Sound (sharp). thin thick thud moth pith teeth berth tooth mouth south

XXIX. Show the characters WH for the hw Sound. whip whim whet whack whit whale while whine white which

XXX. Show the characters QU for the kw Sound.
quid quell quill quit quack quick queen queer quire quite quote

XXXI. Show the character S for the z Sound.

has is fuse nose chose wise cars tars coos bovs his chars woos fees use rose those vase iars tovs rise as bees hose pose bars mars hers

XXXII. Show the characters BL for the bl Sound. When the child spells the word by sound previous to writing it, let him give but three distinct sounds for blab (bl-ă-b), and require all words that follow to be spelled in the same way.

blab blot black bleed blithe blare blocks bled blush blade blame bloom block

XXXIII. Show the characters CL for the cl Sound.

club clef click clam close clòud cloth clip clucks clad clog clock clan clot clave clout clacks clocks clod clack cluck clap clash clove clov clicks clothe XXXIV. Show the characters FL for the fl Sound.

fled flog flock flip flat flesh flame fleet fleer flocks flash flush flare flee fout flag fleck flap qoft

XXXV. Show the characters GL for the gl Sound.

glad glum glut globe glide glare gloom glib glen glee glade

XXXVI. Show the characters PL for the pl Sound.

plod pluck plan plat plash plane plucks plug plum plus plot plush plate

XXXVII. Show the characters SL for the sl Sound.

slab slit slish slide slate slag slam slap slave sled slack slim slip slot slime sleet slosh sloop slid slick slum slop slash slush slope sleep slouch

XXXVIII. Show the characters BR for the br Sound.

brad bridle brig bran brush breech broom bred bribe bride brood brick brat brave brim brash breed brine broth bricks brag

XXXIX. Show the characters CR for the cr Sound.

crab crash crane creep croon cracks crone crack cram crib crick crocks cradle crum crush crime crate crout crag crock crop creed crape crave crouch

XL. Show the characters DR for the dr Sound.

drab drag drill drum drop drape drove drub drug dram drip drone drive droop

XLI. Show the characters FR for the fr Sound.

Fred frock frog frill from fret fresh froth free frame frocks

XLII. Show the characters GR for the gr Sound.

grab grub grum grip grade grime grape grope greet grove grog grim grin grit greed green gripe grate grave groom

XLIII. Show the characters PR for the pr Sound.

prig prod prate prime prone proof prim prop pride probe prose proud

XLIV. Show the characters TR for the tr Sound.

tree	trick	trol1	trap	trash	trape	troop	tracks	trucks
trod	truck	tram	trip	tribe	tripe	trout	tricks	trifle
track	trill	trim	trot	trade	trite	trees		

XLV. Show the characters SM for the sm Sound.

smut smack smell smith smite smart smooth smug smock smash smile smote small smacks

XLVI. Show the characters SN for the sn Sound.

snobsnagsnacksnipsnaresnoresnackssnubsnugsnipesneersnout

XLVII. Show the Characters SP for the sp Sound.

sped spill spat speed spume sperm asp clasp crisp speck span spite spit spare spoon gasp grasp wisp speech spout hasp lisp whisp spick spin spot spire spell spade spine spar spun specks

XLVIII. Show the characters ST for the st Sound.

*stab	step	state	stout	best	chest	roost	just
stub	stop	stave	sticks	lest	quest	cost	crust
stag	stale	stove	stocks	nest	blest	lost	trust
stack	stile	star	stifle	pest	crest	frost	baste
stick	stole	start	stable	rest	fist	bust	haste
stock	stone	stall	staple	test	hist	dust	paste
stuck	steep	steru	cast	vest	list	gust	taste
still	stare	stoop	fast	jest	mist	must	waste
stem	steer	stood	last	west	whist	rust	chaste
stun	store						

XLIX. Show the characters SPL for the spl Sound. Let splash be spelled with three sounds—spl-ă-sh.

splash spleen split

L. Show the characters SPR for the spr Sound. sprat spree sprig sprit sprite sprout

LI. Show the characters STR for the str Sound.

strap strop strode strive strife struck strut strip stride stripe strove street strum

LII. Show the characters SQU for the skw Sound.

squib squill square squire

LIII. Show the characters SW for the sw Sound.

swam swum swig swill sweep swoon sweet swine swathe swim swag swell swop swipe swoop swore swish

LIV. Show the characters TW for the tw Sound.

twig twin twill twist twit

LV. Show the characters THR for the thr Sound. throb thrash thrush three throne thrive thrall thrum thresh thrust

LVI. Show the characters NG for the ng Sound. Do not permit pupils to give this elementary sound as if it were composed of two sounds. The spoken word bang is composed of but three sounds.

twang thing sting long bang tang throng sung stung fang clang ding cling spring song bung clung sprung string thong hung hang slang ring fling flung strung sprang sing sling swing prong lung slung swung pang bring gong rang swang wing strong rung

LVII. Show the character MP for the mp Sound.

camp champ tramp gimp romp hump pump clump crump damp clamp stamp limp bump jump chump plump trump lamp cramp hemp crimp dump lump thump slump stump tamp

LVIII. Show the characters LT for the lt Sound.

halt salt felt pelt smelt hilt tilt spilt malt belt melt welt spelt jilt wilt stilt

LIX. Show the characters LP, LD, LM for the lp, ld, lm Sounds. help yelp whelp gulp pulp bald held helm elm

LX. Show the characters PT for the pt Sound.

wept slept crept swept tipt clipt dript whipt apt

LXI. Show the characters BS for the bz Sound.

cabs slabs stabs fibs cribs fobs robs dubs tubs grubs iibs nabs crabs webs squibs jobs sobs hubs clubs suubs ribs cobs mobs cubs blabs grabs bibs rubs drubs barbs

LXII. Show the characters NS for the nz Sound.

fins chins caus spans tens buns suns loons swoons dens pins spins shuns fans wens guns moons barns sins shins pans hens glens puns stuns croons darns bins wins twins tans pens runs coons spoons varns clans

LXIII. Show the characters MS for the mz Sound.

clams brims chums hams hems drums charms rooms trims rams slams stems plums arms seems blooms vams crams dims whims slums farms booms brooms shams drams rims hums harms crums looms

LXIV. Show the character DS for the dz Sound.

lads weds rids duds feeds pods bleeds broods pads sheds gods rods suds heeds breeds clouds hods clods creeds brads sleds bards needs goods beds lids nods buds cards weeds steeds woods

LXV. Show the characters GS for the gz Sound.

bags nags crags legs jigs twigs jogs hugs rugs fags rags drags pegs pigs bogs logs jugs tugs dregs rigs gags tags snags cogs clogs lugs plugs slugs hags wags stags digs wigs dogs flogs mugs bugs jags flags swags figs sprigs fogs pugs drugs begs gigs swigs hogs lags brags

LXVI. Show the characters NT for the nt Sound.

pant grant dent sent spent flint splint blunt count rant shan't lent tent hint glint squint brunt flount chant ant pent vent lint print hunt grunt mount stint tint plant bent rent went runt stunt

LXVII. Show the characters TS for the ts Sound.

frets wits dots hats brats clots smuts beets starts whets chits lots. trots sheets pouts cats sprats struts hats bets bits slits pots spots boots carts routs fits mats gets grits rots cuts hoots darts shouts pats lets. hits spits sots huts loots parts flouts rats nets pits splits tots ruts roots tarts snouts quits twits shots vats pets shuts toots charts spouts chats sets sits cots blots gluts shoots smarts sprouts

LXVIII. Show the characters LS for the lz Sound.

cools fools pools tools spools stools

LXIX. Show the characters PS for the ps sound.

caps chaps steps chips trips pops drops steeps loops claps dips ships strips tops props sweeps sloops gaps whips flaps hips clips chops stops harps droops laps slips slaps lips fops shops sharps troops maps cups naps traps rips snips hops flops pups coops stoops sips drips raps snaps lops slops weeps hoops swoops straps tips grips mops sleeps taps crops

LXX. Show the characters NGS for the ngz Sound.

bangs pangs rings things. slings springs gongs prongs sings fangs clangs clings brings strings songs bungs twangs wings flings stings swings hangs tongs lungs

LXXI. Show the characters ND for the nd Sound.

band bland strand mend vend bond found round hand brand and rend blend pond hound wound grand ground land bend send spend wind mound stand lend tend end sand bound pound

LXXII. Show the characters NDS for the ndz Sound.

brands lends bands sends blends bonds bounds pounds stands tends ponds hands mends spends hounds rounds lands strands rends vends ends winds mounds grounds sands bends

LXXIII. Show the characters MPS for the mps Sound.

camps clamps stamps romps humps clumps chumps trumps lamps cramps limps bumps lumps thumps slumps stumps champs tramps crimps dumps pumps

LXXIV. Show the characters FT for the ft Sound.

haft draft left cleft lift sift drift swift loft croft craft graft theft gift rift shift thrift oft soft tuft

LXXV. Show the characters FTS for the fts Sound. hafts crafts drafts grafts gifts lifts rifts sifts shifts drifts lofts tufts

LXXVI. Show the characters SPS for the sps Sound. gasps hasps clasps grasps lisps wisps whisps

gasps nasps clasps grasps risps wisps wrisps LXXVII. Show the characters STS for the sts Sound.

tests chests hists casts nests costs gusts trusts lists vests frosts fasts pests crests rusts roosts lasts fists mists busts rests iests crusts

PART III.

READING.

After the child shall have written from dictation the words in Part II.—Spelling—he is ready to begin a process the reverse of spelling, i. e., to give at sight of letters the sounds which the letters represent, and then speak the word which these sounds call to his mind—a process called READING.

The following characters, representing certain elementary sounds, are for drill until the child can give instantly the sound which the letters represent. Let the child give the short sounds for the vowels and the hard sounds for c and g.

a	e	i	Ο	u	d	t	S	b
m	p	f	v	w	c	g	j	k
1	n	r	h	z	y	ch	\mathbf{sh}	th (flat)

The following characters representing two or three consonantal sounds that coalesce are for drill until the child can instantly speak the sounds as wholes:

The following letters, representing parts of words, are for drill until the child can give the sounds as wholes. Let the regular short sound be given to each vowel. Teachers who may be averse to using these exercises can omit them, but the author heartily agrees with Hoole in insisting upon their great value:

ba	be	bi	bo	bu	fla	fle	fli	flo	flu
ca			co	cu	gla	gle	gli	glo	glu
da	de	di	do	du	pla	ple	pli	plo	plu
fa	fe	fi	fo	fu	sla	sle	sli	slo	slu
ga	_	_	go	gu	bra	bre	bri	bro	bru
ha	he	hi	ho	hu	cra	cre	cri	cro	cru
ja	je	ji	jo	ju	dra	dre	dri	dro	dru
la	le	li	lo	lu	fra	fre	fri	fro	fru
ma	me	mi	mo	mu	gra	gre	gri	gro	gru
na	ne	ni	no	nu	pra	pre	pri	pro	pru
pa	pe	pi	po	pu	tra	tre	tri	tro	tru
ra	re	ri	ro	ru	sma	sme	smi	smo	smu
sa	se	si	so	su	sna	sne	sni	sno	snu
ta	te	ti	to	tu	spa	spe	spi	spo	spu
va	ve	vi	vo	vu	sta	ste	sti	sto	stu
wa	we	wi		-	swa	swe	swi	swo	swu
ya	ye			-	spla	sple	spli	splo	splu
cha	che	chi	cho	chu	spra		spri		spru
sha	she	shi	sho	shu	stra	stre	stri	stro	stru
tha	the	thi	tho	thu	thra	thre	thri	thro	thru
qua	que	qui	_		sca			sco	scu
bla	ble	bli	blo	blu	ska	ske	ski		sku
cla	cle	cli	clo	clu	scra	scre	scri	scro	scru

Let the pupil spell out by sound each of the following words. Give the short Sounds to the vowels unless otherwise directed:

at	clap	hag]	sad	Rab	slant	gasp
bat	flap	lag	clad	Tab	grant	hasp
cat	slap	Mag	glad	blab	scant	clasp
fat	scrap	nag	brad	slab	camp	bask
hat	strap	rag	am	crab	damp	cask
mat	trap	sag	dam	drab	lamp	flask
Nat	snap	tag	ham	grab	clamp	fact
pat	an	wag	jam	scab	cramp	tract
rat	can	flag	ram	stab	tramp	craft
sat	Dan	slag	Sam	and	stamp	haft
vat	fan	brag	yam	band	as	draft
slat	man	crag	clam	hand	has	graft
brat	Nan	drag	slam	land	ax	gas
spat	pan	snag	cram	sand	Max	spasm
cap	ran	stag	dram	bland	tax	bats
gap	tan	swag	tram	brand	wax	cats
lap	clan	bad	swam	grand	flax	hats
map	bran	fad	cab	stand	hast	mats
nap	span	had	dab	ant	cast	pats
rap	bag	lad	gab	pant	fast	rats
sap	fag	mad	Mab	rant	last	vats
tap	gag	pad	nab	plant	blast	slats

chats	gags	slams	grants	cot	log	slop
brats	hags	crams	camps	dot	clog	crop
caps	lags	drams	lamps	got	flog	drop
gaps	nags	cabs	clamps	hot	frog	prop
laps	rags	dabs	tramps	lot	grog	stop
maps	sags	nabs	stamps	not	cod	swop
naps	tags	blabs	casts	pot	God	Tom
raps	wags	slabs	lasts	rot	hod	${\bf from}$
taps	flags	crabs	blasts	sot	\mathbf{nod}	or
claps	brags	grabs	basks	tot	pod	for
flaps	crags .	scabs	casks	blot	rod	nor
slaps	drags	stabs	flasks	clot	sod	bob
scraps	snags	bands	gasps	plot	clod	cob
straps	stags	hands	hasps	slot	plod	fob
traps	swags	lands	clasps	trot	trod	job
snaps	lads	sands	acts	Scot	fop	mob
cans	pads	brands	facts	spot	hop	rob
fans	brads	stands	tracts	bog	lop	doll
pans	dams	ants	crafts	cog	\mathbf{mop}	loll
tans	hams	pants	hafts	\mathbf{d} og	pop	Moll
clans	rams	rants	drafts	fog	sop	Poll
bags	yams	plants	grafts	hog	top	horn
fags	clams	slants	spasms	jog	flop	morn

loft	tots	plods	bit	twin	gill	prim
soft	blots	fops	fit	skin	hill	scrim
on	clots	hops	hit	spin	Jill	trim
ox	plots	lops	kit	dip	kill	skim
box	slots	mops	pit	hip	mill	swim
fox	trots	pops	sit	Jip	pill	big
romp	Scots	sops	tit	lip	rill	dig
cost	spots	tops	wit	nip	sill	fig
lost	bogs	flops	flit	rip	till	gig
frost	cogs	slops	slit	sip	will	jig
sort	dogs	crops	grit	tip	drill	pig
snort	fogs	drops	spit	clip	frill	rig
cork	hogs	props	twit	flip	trill	wig
fork!	jogs	stops	in	slip	spill	brig
stork	logs	swops	bin	drip	still	prig
bond	clogs	costs	din	grip	swill	sprig
pond	flogs	frosts	fin	strip	dim	twig
blond	frogs	corks	kin	trip	him	swig
cots	hods	forks	pin	skip	rim	bid
dots	nods	storks	sin	snip	Tim	did
lots	pods	bonds	tin	ill	slim	hid
pots	rods	ponds	win	bill	brim	kid
rots	clods	it	grin	fill	grim	lid

rid	milk	strict	spins	rills	prigs	tints
slid	silk	lisp	dips	sills	sprigs	prints
bib	hilt	crisp	hips	tills	twigs	stints
fib	gilt	wisp	lips	drills	swigs	fists
jib	jilt	bits	nips	frills	bids	lists
nib	tilt	fits	rips	trills	kids	twists
rib	spilt	hits	sips	spills	lids	lisps
glib	stilt	kits	tips	stills	rids	wisps
crib	risk	pits	clips	swills	bibs	bet
if	frisk	sits	flips	dims	fibs	get
gift	hint	wits	s lips	rims	jibs	let
lift	lint	flits	drips	brims	nibs	met
rift	mint	grits	grips	trims	ribs	net
sift	tint	spits	strips	skims	cribs	pet
drift	flint	bins	trips	swims	gifts	set
swift	print	dins	skips	digs	lifts	wet
wind	stint	fins	snips	figs	rifts	yet
limp	fist	pins	bills	gigs	sifts	fret
crimp	hist	sins	fills	jigs	drifts	bed
is	list	wins	gills	pigs	winds	fed
his	mist	grins	hills	rigs	milks	led
fix	grist	twins	mills	wigs	silks	Ned
mix	twist	skins	pills	brigs	hints	red

Ted spend pelt left sets dells dug frets bled bent smelt cleft sells hug fled dent beg web beds tells jug bred lent held dens wells lug keg Fred rent leg weld fens vells mug smells pug sped sent peg step hens Ben tent best elm spells rug pens swells tug den iest helm went tens fen spent lest hem belts plug wens hen bel1 glens melts nest stem drug dell elf ends pelts pest snug men fel1 bends self rest begs bum pen Nel1 test help lends kegs ten gum sell yelp mends legs vest hum wen glen tell next rends west pegs mum end well blest sends text jests rum bend vell hemp tends glum crest nests lend smell desk blends pests plum wept mend spell slept bets spends rests slum rend swell dents tests drum crept gets send belt stept lets rents vests grum tend felt swept nets tents crests scum blend melt pets bells bug yes swum

but drub gull humps up rugs pups grub hull cut cup tugs sups jumps pup. scrub mull hut plugs cubs lumps snub skull drugs dubs nut sup pumps hums hubs clumps bump stub gulp rut dump hunt pulp plums rubs stumps tut hump blunt bulk slums tubs strut trumps smut jump grunt hulk clubs hunts cuts bud stunt sulk huts drubs lump grunts cud pump bust skulk nuts grubs stunts mud clump dust dusk scrubs busts ruts bun plump gust husk struts snubs gusts dun slump must musk stubs buns rusts fun stump rust tusk culls crusts guns dulls trump crust bugs nuns trusts gun cub trust hugs gulls hulks nun puns dub hulls sulks jugs pun us runs hub tuft lugs skulls skulks suns run rub cull bumps husks mugs stuns sun tub dull pugs dumps tusks spun cups club stun

SS for the S Sound.

Tell the child that so at the end of words do not stand for two Sounds, but for one s Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

bass	grass	cress	hiss	Swiss	toss	dross
class	Bess	dress	kiss	boss	gloss	buss
glass	mess	press	bliss	loss	cross	fuss
brass	bless	tress	miss			

FF for the F Sound.

Tell the child that ff at the end of words stand for one f Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

tiff	doff	cuff	muff	bluff	scruff
skiff	scoff	huff	puff	fluff	snuff
stiff	buff	luff	ruff	scuff	stuff
off					

CK for the K sound.

Remind the child that c and k do not stand for two Sounds, but for one k sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

back	black	stack	Dick	slick	luck	struck
	clack					
lack	slack	deck	pick	crick	Puck	backs
pack	crack	neck	sick	trick	suck	hacks
rack	track	peck	tick	stick	cluck	lacks
sack	smack	fleck	wick	buck	pluck	packs
tack	snack	speck	click	duck	stuck	racks

sacks tracks decks licks bricks ducks tacks smacks necks picks cricks sucks blacks tricks snacks pecks ticks clucks clacks stacks flecks wicks sticks plucks slacks clicks bucks becks specks trucks cracks

NG for the ng Sound.

Remind the child that n and g do not stand for two Sounds, but for one sound—ng. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

bang sprang fling song slung clangs springs fang twang sling prong sprung kings strings bring hang ding strong strung rings stings pang king spring bung sings swings stung string hung swung wings gongs rang ring sting clings songs sang sing lung bangs tang ting swing fangs flings rung prongs clang wing slings bungs gong hangs sung long slang cling flung paugs brings lungs

NK for the ngk Sound.

Tell the child that n before k does not stand for the n Sound, but for the ng Sound. Then let him spell out by sound these words:

hank blank drank spank link rink rank flank frank mink hank sank ink sink lank tank crank prank kink pink wink

blink junk hanks pranks pinks slinks clink ranks spanks rinks sunk drinks slink slunk tanks inks sinks prinks brink trunk blanks kinks winks bunks drink spunk flanks links blinks junks prink cranks minks clinks banks trunks bunk

CH

Remind the child that c and h do not stand for the two Sounds, c, h, but for one Sound—ch. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

chaff chap chess chick chink chuck much champ chat chest chill chip chuff such chant check chit chin chop rich

TCH

Tell the child that t before ch does not stand for any Sound. Then let him spell out by sound these words:

stretch pitch twitch Dutch batch patch scratch sketch flitch catch botch hutch snatch ditch stitch blotch hatch clutch latch fetch hitch switch Scotch crutch match

SH

Remind the child that s and h do not stand for two Sounds, s, h, but for one Sound—sh. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

shad shot dash plash flesh bosh blush shift gash slash fresh sham slosh flush shed ship hash brash dish gush plush shuck mash crash shell fish hush slush shelf shun rash trash wish mush brush shod shut clash smash swish rush crush shop cash flash mesh

TH

Remind the child that t and h do not stand for two Sounds, t, h, but often for the th Sound (flat). Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

than this that thus the with them then

WH

Remind the child that w and h do not stand for the two Sounds, w, h, but for the hw Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

whack which whet whist when whim whip

I in Words Ending in E.

Remind the child that i in words ending in e does not stand for the \bar{i} Sound, but for the \bar{i} Sound, and that the e does not stand for any Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

dine mine vine thine whine ride wide side fine nine wine brine hide chide line shine swine hide tide pine glide

slide vile quite tire lime hive stripe bride wile tripe wire time live. sprite pride smile smite snipe spire chime drive bile stile swipe fife slime spite strive file while life white fire crime rise mile bite pipe hire wife prime wise Nile kite bribe ripe mire strife dive dime pile mite wipe quire five tribe tile

A in Words Ending in E.

Remind the child that a in words ending in e does not stand for the ă Sound, but for the ā Sound, and that the e does not stand for any Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words.

shave share blade ate grate shape same date prate slave flare glade crape tame skate fate brave drape shame grade snare gate Kate blame trade crave grape spare hate state flame grave bare spade stare late dare frame cave stave cane came gave fare fade mate ape dame Tane rate fame jade lane pave cape hare plate made rave gape mare game mane slate nape lame wade save pare pane shade crate tape wave rare name vane

plane	dale	sale	whale	taste	case
crane	gale	tale	baste	waste	chase
ale	male	vale	haste	chaste	safe
bale	pale	stale	paste	base	

O in Words Ending in E.

Remind the child that o in words ending in e does not stand for the ŏ Sound, but for the ō Sound, and that the e does not stand for any Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

those dose drone mole ore snore grope close bore prone mote pole close store sole robe stone prose core note swore fore stole bone throne quote globe cove probe hope hose hove gore cone vote ode hone mope shote more nose wove clove rode lone pope pose sore smote tone rope hole grove dome tore rose slope jole chose stove home crone wore shore

U in Words Ending in E.

Remind the child that u in words ending in e does not stand for the ŭ Sound, but for the ū Sound, and that the e does not stand for any Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

cure	cube	cute	use	mule	cue	hue
pure	tube	mute	fuse	tune	due	

A Before R.

Tell the child that a before r does not usually stand for the & Sound, but for the â sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

			_			
bar	bark	part	darn	march	stars	carts
car	dark	tart	yarn	parch	arms	darts
jar	hark	chart	arm	starch	farms	parts
far	lark	smart	farm	harsh	harms	tart s
tar	mark	start	harm	marsh	charms	charts
scar	park	card	charm	bars	cards	smarts
spar	stark	hard	carp	cars	yards	start s
star	cart	lard	harp	jars	barns	barb
char	dart	yard	sharp	scars	darns	ba rbs
ark	mart	· barn	arch	spars	yarns	

A Before L.

Tell the child that a before I does not usually stand for the & Sound, but for the aw Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

all call wall fall squall halt salt scald ball tall small hall stall malt bald

E Before R.

Tell the child that e before r does not usually stand for the & Sound, but for the \(\'e\) Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

her fern pert sperm perch herd jerks herds hers stern term jerk herb terms herbs



WATER-LILIES.



I Before R.

Tell the child that i before r does not, in short words, stand for the i Sound, but for the e Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

sir shirt dirk stirs dirks whirl skirts stir skirt shirk whirs shirks birch squirts whir squirt smirk first smirks flirts girls dirt bird chirp birds girl shirts whirls flirt

U Before R.

Tell the child that u before r does not usually stand for the ŭ Sound, but for the e Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

cur	curd	lurk	hurt	slurs	blurts
fur	burst	Turk	blurt	spurs	spurts
blur	curst	turn	spurt	furls	turns
slur	durst	churn	curt	curls	churns
spur	furl	church	curs	hurls	lurks
surf	curl	curds	blurs	hurts	Turks
turf	hurl				

THE DIPHTHONGS.

The teaching of the English diphthongs without the use of diacritical marks is the most important work of the primary school. Our diphthongs should be taught as the diphthongs of other languages are taught. After a child has learned the Sound ordinarily attached to the German diphthongs ei and ie, he is not encouraged to wait, in utter helplessness, whenever he meets them thereafter, until his teacher marks them. And yet some teachers and text-book makers mark oa, again and again, as they occur in different words, just as

if the diphthong oa represented different sounds in all the words in which it appears, whereas it represents the long o Sound in every word in the language except in the word broad and its compounds. The mutilation of regular English words (and at least 95 per cent. of our consonants and 90 per cent. of our vowels are regular) by means of daggers, macrons, etc., is wholly unnecessary and without excuse.

THE DIPHTHONG AI.

Tell the child that the diphthong ai represents the ā Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

ail	lain	fair	paint	wails	hairs
bail	main	hair	quaint	snails	lairs
fail	pain	lair	saint	trails	pairs
hail	rain `	pair	taint	quails	stairs
jail	vain	stair	aim	gains	maids
mail	chain	aid	claim	pains	raids
nail	brain	laid	waist	rains	braids
pail	drain	maid	bails	chains	baits
rail	grain	paid	fails	brains	waits
sail	plain	raid	jails	drains	plaits
tail	slain	braid	mails	plains	faints
wail	stain	staid	nails	stains	paints
frail	sprain	bait	pails	sprains	saints
snail	strain	wait	rails	trains	taints
trail	train	plait	sails	chairs	aims
quail	air	faint	tails	fairs	claims
gain	chair			·	

THE DIPHTHONG AW.

Tell the child that the diphthong aw represents the aw Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

caw	haw	bawl	dawn	paws	drawls
jaw	maw	yawl	yawn	claws	scrawls
law	claw	crawl	pawn	draws	sprawls
paw	craw	drawl	drawn	bawls	pawns
raw	draw	shawl	spawn	yawls	dawns
saw	squaw	scrawl	jaws	shawls	yawns
taw	straw	sprawl	laws	crawls	hawk

THE DIPHTHONG AU.

Tell the child that the diphthong au generally represents the aw Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

haul	Paul	Maud	vault	mauls
maul	Saul `	fault	hauls	faults

THE DIPHTHONG AV.

Tell the child that the diphthong ay represents the ā Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

bay	may	bray	slay	stray	rays	prays
day	nay	clay	stay	bays	ways	stays
gay	pay	dray	tray	days	brays	trays
hay	ray	gray	sway	lays	drays	sways
jay	say	play	spray	pays	plays	strays
ay	way	pray				

THE DIPHTHONG EE.

Remind the child that the diphthong ee represents the ē Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

bee	peep ·	treed	seem	peeps	teens
fee	weep	beer	beef	weeps	screens
jee	sheep	deer	beech	creeps	weeks
see	creep	jeer	leech	sleeps	seeks
thee	sleep	cheer	screech	sweeps	cheeks
wee	steep	sheer	speech	deeds	creeks
free	sweep	queer	bees	feeds	Greeks
glee	deed	sneer	fees	heeds	seems
tree	feed	steer	sees	needs	eel
flee	heed	green	frees	weeds	peel
spree	need	queen	trees	creeds	feel
beet	reed	seen	flees	bleeds	heel
feet	seed	screen	sprees	breeds	reel
meet	weed	meek	beets	speeds	steel
sheet	creed	seek	meets	steeds	eels
fleet	freed	week	sheets	jeers	peels
sleet	breed	cheek	sleets	cheers	feels
greet	bleed	creek	greets	sneers	heels
street	speed	Greek	streets	steers	reels
sweet deep	steed	sleek	sweets	queens	steels

THE DIPHTHONG EA.

Tell the child that the diphthong ea usually represents the ē Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

sea	steal	gleam	wean	beats	beams
lea	squeal	cream	clean	seats	seams
tea	ear	scream	glean	cheats	teams
flea	dear	steam	heap	bleats	reams
eat	fear	stream	leap	treats	gleams
beat	near	dream	reap	deals	screams
heat	gear	beak	cheap	heals	streams
meat	hear	leak	peach	peals	dreams
neat	rear	peak	reach	seals	beaks
peat	tear	weak	teach	steals	creaks
seat	year	bleak	bleach	squeals	leaks
cheat	shear	creak	preach	fears	peaks
wheat	clear	freak	beach	hears	freaks
bleat	drear	screak	bead	rears	screaks
treat	blear	streak	lead	tears	streaks
deal	smear	sneak	read	years	sneaks
heal	spear	speak	plead	shears	speaks
meal	beam	bean	beast	clears	beans
peal	seam	dean	feast	blears	deans
seal	team	lean	least	smears	leans
veal	ream	mean	yeast	spears	means

weans gleans leaps beads reads beasts leaf cleans heaps reaps leads pleads feasts sheaf

THE DIPHTHONG EW.

Tell the child that the diphthong ew usually represents the $\bar{\mathbf{u}}$ Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

dew hew new stew hews pews few mew pew dews mews stews

THE DIPHTHONGS EI, EO, EU, EY.

Words containing the diphthongs ei, eo, eu, ey, are not given in this list because they are rarely met with. Only 65 words containing these four diphthongs were found in a series of five school readers with a vocabulary of 6,000 words, and only 18 were found in the monosyllabic words of that vocabulary.

THE DIPHTHONG OA.

Tell the child that the diphthong oa represents the ō Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

oat	moan	croak	coach	foam	coats	loads
boat	groan	oar	poach	loam	goats	roads
coat	goad	boar	roach	roam	shoats	toads
goat	load	roar	boast	coax	floats	oaks
shoat	road	soar	coast	hoax	gloats	soaks
float	toad	coal	roast	soap	loans	cloaks
gloat	oak	foal	toast	loaf	moans	croaks
groat	soak	goal	board	oats	groans	oars
loan	cloak	shoal	hoard	boats	goads	

boars	coals	shoals	roasts	boards	foams
roars	foals	boasts	toasts	hoards	roams
soars	goals	coasts			

THE DIPHTHONG OO.

Tell the child that the diphthong oo usually represents the ô Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

coo	bloom	moon	sloops	cools
too	gloom	noon	droops	fools
woo	broom	soon	scoops .	pools
shoo	groom	croon	stoops	tools
coop	boot	spoon	swoops	spools
hoop	hoot	swoon	troops	stools
loop	root	hoof	booms	coons
sloop	toot	roof	dooms	loons
droop	shoot	proof	looms	moons
scoop	cool	food	rooms	croons
stoop	fool	brood	blooms	spoons
swoop	pool	smooth	brooms	swoons
troop	tool	booth	grooms	booths
boom	spool	roost	boots	roosts
doom	stool	coops	hoots	hoofs
loom	coon	hoops	toots	roofs
room	loon	loops	shoots	

THE DIPHTHONG OW.

Tell the child that the diphthong ow often represents the ow Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

mows cow plow crown howl gowns cowls drown growl rows clowns fowls brow how frown prowl crowns howls how prow sows down town scowl vows drowns growls mow gown owl crowd plows frowns prowls now clown cowl brows towns scowls cows row brown fowl bows prows owls crowds sow vow

THE DIPHTHONG OU.

Tell the child that the diphthong ou often represents the ow Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

out	scout	sound	shroud	pouts	mounds
gout	snout	wound	count	routs	pounds
lout	spout	ground	fount	shouts	sounds
pout	stout	our	mount	flouts	scours
rout	bound	sour	couch	sprouts	clouds
shout	found	flour	pouch	scouts	shrouds
flout	hound	scour	vouch	snouts	counts
crout	mound	loud	foul	spouts	founts
sprout	pound	proud	thou	hounds	mounts
trout	round	cloud			

THE DIPHTHONG OY.

Tell the child that the diphthong oy represents the oy Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

boy coy hoy joy Roy toy boys joys toys

THE DIPHTHONG OI.

Tell the child that the diphthong oi represents the oy Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

oil	toil	foist	quoit	toils	points
boil	broil	hoist	oils	broils	quoits
coil	spoil	joist	boils	spoils	foists
foil	coin	moist	coils	coins	hoists
soil	loin	point	foils	loins	joists

THE DIPHTHONG IE.

Tell the child that the diphthong ie often represents the ī Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

die pie tied fried dies ties dries tries fie tie shied pried hies shies fries skies hie dried cried tried lies flies pries spies lie hied dried spied pies cries

GH SILENT.

Tell the child that the digraph gh does not usually represent any Sound, but that after i (like silent e final) it lengthens the i. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

high	fight	night	tight	plight	fright
nigh	light	right	blight	slight	caught
sigh	might	sight	flight	bright	plough

WR

Tell the child that w before r does not represent any Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

wrack wreck wrest wrist writhe wrote wrap wren wring write wrong wrung

KN

Tell the child that k before n does not represent any Sound. Then let him spell out by Sound these words:

knack knelt knob knot knead knew knight knell knit knock knave knee knife

In teaching children to read any piece of English literature, let the Sounds attached to the combinations of letters in the above lists, from page 30 to page 46, be treated as the STANDARD SOUNDS, and all that depart from this standard be treated as exceptions. Whenever a child, in his reading, hesitates at any word, let him give to the letters the Sounds as explained above. If he will do this, he will be able to make out for himself about nine-tenths of all the words he will ever meet. Whenever he shall have applied the test given him, and has failed to catch the word, then, but not till then, ask him what the word would be if each letter were regular, and tell him the word, unless it be a word which is found in the lists on pages 48-53, in which case the child should be referred to that word. Explain, if possible, the reason for the irregularity. A knowledge by the teacher of the history of English orthography is necessary to secure the best results in teaching the language to little children or to adults. No one, in fact, thoroughly understands any word until he has learned its history.

The teacher should drill thoroughly upon the annexed table, which is given as a review. This table should be placed upon the blackboard, kept there permanently, and referred to constantly:

READING CHART.

Sound a with e at the end of a word, as in date.

Sound ar, as in tar.

Sound ch, as in chat. Sound ea, as in neat.

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ED.

- 1. In the following words ending in ed, the e is silent and lengthens the preceding vowel:
- spared mired blamed shamed glazed twined tamed grazed bribed tired whined famed jibed cured framed blazed fared wired fired piled lamed crazed scared dozed smiled shared hired closed named gazed
- 2. In the following words ending in ed, the e is silent, but does not affect the preceding vowel:

hurled maimed reared boomed bayed sheared doomed burned payed barred played bleared charred bloomed churned cleared spurned swayed sparred groomed boiled tarred turned praised smeared raised pleased heeled coiled whirled foiled blabbed drained teased peeled gained reeled soiled grabbed greased toiled rained nabbed beamed ieered broiled sprained dreamed peered stabbed stained sneered spoiled screamed bagged strained veered fagged steamed moored trained leaned wooed sneezed gagged aimed weaned squeezed curled jagged claimed furled neared seemed lagged

nagged	penned	bobbed	stubbed	swelled
sagged	fibbed	jobbed	drugged	welled
wagged	nibbed	mobbed	hugged	yelled
bragged	ribbed	robbed	jugged	chilled
dragged	cribbed	sobbed	lugged	drilled
snagged	digged	clogged	tugged	filled
jammed	wigged	dogged	drummed	frilled
crammed	dimmed	flogged	gummed	killed
rammed	rimmed	jogged	hummed	spilled
shammed	${\tt skimmed}$	clubbed	shunned	tilled
slammed	trimmed	dubbed	stunned	trilled
fanned	finned	drubbed	buzzed	called
manned	pinned	grubbed	belled	stalled
planned	sinned	rubbed	felled	walled
webbed	skinned	${\tt scrubbed}$	shelled	culled
begged	lived	snubbed	spelled	lulled
hemmed				

3. In the following words ending in ed, the e is silent and lengthens the preceding vowel, and the d represents the t Sound because of the inconvenience or impossibility of giving the d Sound in such words:

baked waked liked poked stroked shaped raked slaked spiked yoked smoked draped quaked staked joked choked gaped scraped

piped striped hoped roped sloped cased wiped swiped moped groped duped chased

4. In the following words ending in ed, the e is silent, but does not affect the preceding vowel, and the d represents the t Sound, for the reason stated in the preceding section:

cashed	hacked	kicked	trucked	clipped
dashed	lacked	licked	capped	slipped
gashed	packed	picked	napped	dripped
hashed	quacked	ticked	rapped	gripped
lashed	racked	tricked	tapped	stripped
mashed	sacked	docked	chapped	tripped
clashed	tacked	locked	clapped	skipped
flashed	blacked	mocked	flapped	whipped
slashed	clacked	knocked	slapped	hopped
crashed	slacked	rocked	strapped	lopped
smashed	cracked	shocked	trapped	mopped
dished	tracked	blocked	snapped	popped
fished	smacked	frocked	dipped	topped
wished	whacked	sucked	nipped	chopped
rushed	becked	tucked	ripped	shopped
slushed	decked	chucked	sipped	flopped
brushed	pecked	shucked	tipped	cropped
crushed	checked	clucked	chipped	dropped
backed	specked	plucked	shipped	propped

stopped	tossed	fetched	whiffed	cooked
supped	glossed	stretched	doffed	hooked
camped	gasped	sketched	$\mathbf{scoffed}$	looked
clamped	rasped	hitched	cuffed	brooked
cramped	clasped	pitched	huffed	crooked
stamped	lisped	itched	luffed	cooped
tramped	branched	stitched	puffed	hooped
romped	quenched	switched	stuffed	looped
bumped	clenched	twitched	taxed	drooped
dumped	drenched	botched	waxed	trooped
jumped	pinched	blotched	vexed	scooped
lumped	clinched	crotched	fixed	stooped
pumped	flinched	scotched	mixed	swooped
slumped	bunched	clutched	boxed	cursed
trumped	munched	asked	barked	nursed
classed	punched	basked	jerked	arched
messed	crunched	masked	shirked	marched
blessed	hatched	desked	smirked	parched
dressed	latched	risked	lurked	starched
pressed	matched	frisked	soaked	perched
hissed	patched	whisked	cloaked	lurched
kissed	scratched	husked	croaked	churched
missed	snatched	sniffed	booked	creased

ES.

Words ending in es, in which the e is silent, and lengthens the preceding vowel:

dames	panes	babes	slides	strikes	wiles
games	vanes	jibes	brides	spikes	smiles
hames	planes	bribes	safes	jokes	stiles
James	cranes	tribes	chafes	pokes	holes
lames	dines	robes	fifes	chokes	poles
names	lines	globes	strifes	spokes	soles
tames	mines	probes	bakes	strokes	apes
${\tt shames}$	vines	cubes	cakes	${\bf smokes}$	capes
blames	wines	fades	lakes	ales	gapes
flames	shines	jades	makes	bales	shapes
frames	spines	wades	rakes	dales	drapes
dimes	whines	blades	takes	gales	grapes
limes	bones	grades	wakes	males	scrapes
times	cones	trades	shakes	pales	hopes
chimes	hones	spade s	flakes	sales	popes
climes	tones	bides	slakes	tales	ropes
crimes	thrones	hides	takes	vales	gropes
domes	crones	rides	drakes	scales	bares
homes	drones	sides	stakes	files	cares
fumes	stones	tides	dikes	miles	dares
canes	dunes	chides	likes	piles	fares
lanes	tunes	glides	pikes	tiles	mares

pares	wires	hates	mites	paves	fives
shares	spires	mates	smites	raves	hives
glares	ores	rates	motes	saves	lives
scares	bores	slates	notes	waves	wives
snares	cores	crates	votes	shaves	drives
spares	pores	grates	shotes	slaves	strives
stares	sores	prates	bathes	braves	coves
fires	shores	skates	lathes	craves	roves
hires	scores	states	clothes	graves	cloves
mires	snores	bites	caves	staves	droves
quires	stores	kites	laves	dives	groves
tires	dates				

IRREGULAR WORDS.

WORDS CONTAINING A LETTER OR LETTERS WHICH DO NOT REP-RESENT THE SOUNDS ORDINARILY ATTACHED THERETO.

Let the child spell out by Sound all of the following words according to the suggestions, which should be explained by the teacher.

I. Words ending in y, in which the y represents the ī Sound:

by	why	\mathbf{fly}	fry	try	spy	thy
fy	\mathbf{shy}	cry	pry	sky	sty	wry
my	sly	dry	spry			

II. Words in which o before ld represents the 5 Sound without silent e final:

old bold cold fold gold hold sold told scold

III. Words in which o before 11 represents the ō Sound without silent e final:

roll toll droll stroll troll

IV. Words in which i before nd and ld represent the i Sound without silent e final:

bind hind mind wind grind wild find kind rind blind mild child

V. In words ending in nch, ch represents the sh Sound:

branch drench finch flinch munch lunch bench French linch bunch punch crunch quench trench pinch hunch

VI. No printed word ends in the letter j. For the j Sound at the end of a word, g is printed, followed by e.

fringe age stage marge purge hinge singe forge charge twinge cage range change tinge page huge serge lunge barge cringe plunge verge grange . rage large sage urge strange

In some words the letter d, silent, is printed before the g.

budge nudge trudge hedge sledge bridge fudge drudge badge ledge dredge dodge judge grudge edge wedge ridge lodge VII. No printed word ends in the letter v. For the v Sound at the end of a word, ve is printed.

delve twelve live swerve heave weave helve have groove curve leave cleave shelve give serve sleeve

VIII. In many words the s Sound at the end is represented by c, followed by e, silent. In some of these words the e lengthens the preceding vowel:

Grace ice nice slice face spice race place dice rice lace trace price splice mice vice trice thrice brace space pace

In other words of this class, the e does not affect the preceding vowel.

prance thence wince dance pounce Greece whence prince trance flounce voice lance fence mince dunce chance choice trounce quince glance hence ounce fleece peace France pence since bounce

XIX. In some words ending in the s or z sound represented by s, an e is added without affecting the preceding vowel.

praise curse souse noose sense verse chouse else geese nurse ease rouse blouse grouse horse purse crease tease douse pulse please goose grease cheese false noise house loose grease coarse raise rinse hoarse poise mouse moose

X. The letter o before n sometimes represents the ŭ Sound.

son done ton none won month front

XI. The letter o before m sometimes represents the ŭ Sound.

come some

XII. The letter o before v sometimes represents the ŭ Sound.

dove love glove shove

XIII. The diphthong ow, in some words, represents the ō Sound.

show glow bow grow known trow throw slow low bowl row snow flow know sow crow own mow

XIV. The diphthong oo, in some words, represents the oo Sound.

book look took crook stood foot cook looks shook good wood soot hook rook brook hood

XV. The diphthong ou, in some words, represents the "Sound.

touch young rough* tough* slough*
*GH at the end of a few words represents the f sound.

XVI. The diphthong ou before ght represents the aw Sound.

ought fought thought brought wrought bought sought

XVII. The diphthong ou, in some words, represents the ô Sound.

you yours group through gourd your soup wound croup gouge XVIII. The diphthong ou, in some words, represents the ō Sound.

four pour source court soul fourth poured course dough though

XIX. The diphthong ou, in some words, represents the ŏŏ Sound. could would should couldn't wouldn't shouldn't

XX. The diphthong ea, in some words, represents the & Sound.

dead lead bread spread breast breath heaven

head read dread tread death deaf

XXI. The diphthong ea before r represents, in some words, the e Sound.

earn learn heard earth earl pearl search

XXII. The diphthong ea represents, in some words, the ā Sound. great break steak bear pear tear wear swear

XXIII. The letter u is silent in the following words:

guess guard build built buy guest

XXIV. In some words ending in en, the e is silent, and does not affect the preceding vowel.

seven kitten garden driven heaven sudden maiden

XXV. In some words ending in en, the e is silent, but lengthens the preceding vowel.

even open broken stolen chosen taken

XXVI. The letter a, after a w Sound, often represents the δ Sound.

'twas wharf wad swab want swan whap wan was wasp swamp squab wasn't watch what wand squad swap

XXVII. After w, or sometimes represents the er Sound.

word work worm world worth worse worst

XXVIII. In some words, o represents the ô Sound.

do to lose move prove two* who* whom* whose*
*Silent w.

XXIX. In some words, 1 is silent before k.

balk calk talk chalk walk stalk

XXX. In words ending in mb, the b is silent.

jamb limb dumb plumb thumb lamb bomb numb crumb

XXXI. In the following words, e represents the ē Sound:

be he me we she

XXXII. In the following words, o represents the ō Sound:

go ho no so comb



XXXIII. MISCELLANEOUS DIFFICULT WORDS.

To give all help possible on these difficult words, the teacher is advised to dictate each of these words to be spelled by Sound, and then require the child to copy from his book the orthodox form. The child will then have, side by side, the orthodox forms and the key to their pronunciation, and will thus be enabled to see what letters in each word do not conform to rule. If there were any real danger in looking at words as they should be spelled, and would now be spelled but for the prejudices of Dr. Johnson and the ignorance of early printers, all persons, old and young, should be warned of the danger of making use of a pronouncing dictionary. See appendix for key to the pronunciation of these words:

ah	said	where	chief	cough	oven
ha	says	where's	grief	blood	school
calf	warm	key	field	bóoft	rule
half	swarm	they	fierce	door	blue
calm.	ma'am	whey	niece	floor	bush
can't	axe	eye	piece	wolf	push
pass	are	eyes	shield	often	bull
past	been	heart	friend	gone	full
bath	sew	flew	of	don't	pull
path	key	cent	John	rogue	puss
raft	George	wer e	shoe	tongue	put
laugh	their	else	shoes	sport	sure
laughed	eight	I	does	one	juice
aunt	sleigh	I'11	broad	ones	fruit
masts	there	I'm	dozen	once	bye

PART IV.

SPELLING-DISSYLLABLES.

These words are to be written on the blackboard by the children without previous study on their part.

Let the teacher dictate each word slowly, taking care to pronounce both consonants in the middle of such words as batter, fatter, etc., and give a sentence or phrase to show the meaning of each word. The children should speak the word, repeat the first syllable, and write the characters for each sound in that syllable; then they should speak the second syllable and write the characters for each sound in the second syllable.

All the words in this list can be written correctly before they have been seen by the children, with no directions other than those given for the spelling of monosyllabic words, or which may be found in the different sections that follow, except the caution that for the k sound at the end of a syllable, ck is written, as at the end of a word.

I. DIŞŞYLLABLES ENDING IN ER.

batter	letter	butter	pepper	blabber	adder	winner
fatter	setter	cutter	dipper	stabber	ladder	thinner
hatter	tetter	gutter	ripper	fibber	madder	grinner
matter	bitter	mutter	shipper	jobber	bladder	spinner
patter	fitter	shutter	clipper	robber	bidder	gunner
tatter	titter	flutter	slipper	lubber	fodder	runner
chatter	fritter	sputter	strippe r	rubber	udder	stunner
shatter	glitter	splutter	copper	blubber	rudder	hammer
clatter	splitter	stutter	hopper	slubber	shudder	stammer
flatter	twitter	rapper	chopper	dagger	banner	simmer
platter	otter	clapper	cropper	bragger	manner	glimmer
smatter	hotter	flapper	stopper	stagger	tanner	trimmer
spatter	totter	slapper	upper	bigger	inner	swimmer
splatter	blotter	snapper	supper	digger	dinner	hummer
better	trotter	trapper	crupper	chigger	sinner	summer
fetter	utter	strapper	jabber	trigger	tinner	drummer

differ	deeper	refer	damper	pouter	Tucker	hunter
offer	peeper	prefer	hamper	shouter	trucker	punter
coffer	creeper	bicker	pamper	spouter	anther	jasper
proffer	sleeper	picker	tamper	stouter	panther	antler
buffer	steeper	quicker	stamper	under	gather	chapter
puffer	sweeper	sicker	tramper	sunder	lather	after
suffer	bender	wicker	banter	thunder	fester	enter
cobbler	fender	thicker	canter	blunder	jester	helper
gobbler	lender	flicker	ranter	plunder	pester	temper
juggler	mender	slicker	chanter	humbler	tester	vesper
smuggler	render	snicker	planter	mumbler	Chester	member
duller	sender	Mister	alter	rumbler	tether	trickster
archet	tender	sister	falter	tumbler	neth er	pilfer
marcher	vender	blister	halter	grumbler	whether	silver
farmer	blender	glister	palter	stumbler	fleeter	splinter
charmer	slender	twister	caller	umber	sweeter	bother
carper	spender	hither	taller	cumber	limber	sooner
harper	ever	thither	smaller	lumber	timber	rooster
sharper	nevér	wither	aster	number	hinder	hover
barber	sever	whither	caster	slumber	tinder	oyster
barter	clever	slither	faster	muster	simper	yonder
darter	melter	giver	gander	bluster	whimper	prosper
garter	pelter	liver	pander	cluster	lisper	lobster
smarter	welter	quiver	grander	fluster	whisper	monster
starter	shelter	river	winter	butler	hooper	order
hardet	smelter	shiver	printer	cutler	trooper	ulster
carder	spelter	lifter	stinter	sutler	corner	huckster
larder	defer	sifter	splinter	pucker	louder	usher
partner	infer	shifter	outer	sucker	prouder	rusher

II. DISSYLLABLES ENDING IN ED.

batted	netted	twitted	butted	rugged	budded	stranded
hatted	petted	dotted	smutted	added	studded	ended
matted	fretted	potted	jagged	padded	banded	bended
patted	whetted	blotted	ragged	bedded	handed	mended
chatted	pitted	spotted	shagged	wedded	landed	rended
betted	flitted	trotted	dogged	nodded	sanded	tend e d

wended blunted hafted gilded sated needed sounded blended seeded counted grunted grafted wicked grated bonded fasted gifted carted plated weeded mounted chanted lasted lifted darted prated chided pouted rifted sheeted panted blasted parted glided routed sifted sleeted slided ranted iested smarted shouted planted nested shifted started greeted basted flouted drifted carded noted granted rested pasted spouted dented tested tufted herded voted tasted sprouted rented chested belted halted faded wasted clouded tented crested melted malted jaded booted posted bounded hinted listed pelted . salted waded hooted tinted twisted smelted welded shaded founded rooted glinted dusted iilted fated bladed hounded tooted stinted tilted hated graded rusted pounded roosted wilted rounded hunted crusted mated traded brooded stunted stilted heeded trusted rated

III. DISSYLLABLES ENDING IN Y.

Tell the children that very few printed words end in the letter i; that when a spoken word ends in the I Sound, the letter i is not written for that Sound, but generally y.

dally	jolly	sorry	Betty	whinny	ruddy	boggy
rally	Molly	curry	Hetty	bonny	happy	foggy
sally	Polly	hurry	petty	bunny	sappy	buggy
tally	carry	flurry	ditty	funny	puppy	muggy
jelly	Harry	tabby	gritty	sunny	taffy	brassy
Nelly	marry	shabby	putty,	daddy	jiffy	grassy
filly	parry	flabby	smutty	caddy	clammy	Bessy
jilly	tarry	slabby	Fanny	Freddy	Tommy	dressy
silly	berry	chubby	cranny	giddy	gummy	missy
chilly	ferry	stubby	Benny	smiddy	mumniy	bossy
stilly	Jerry	chatty	Jenny	toddy	baggy	mossy
dolly	merry	fatty	penny	shoddy	shaggy	glossy
folly	cherry	Hatty	finny	cuddy	dreggy	fussy
holly	sherry	patty	ninny	\mathbf{muddy}	Peggy	Andy

bandy	party	dimly	meetly	shanty	timely	roomy
candy	marshy	grimly	sweetly	shapely	wisely	smoothly
dandy	sharply	primly	dusty	basely	wifely	forty
handy	hardly	slimly	fusty	bravely	finely	poorly
saudy	tardy	trimly	gusty	safely	swiftly	cloudy
brandy	harshly	prickly	lusty	safety	tipsy	costly
gamely	starry	quickly	rusty	manly	richly	strongly
lamely	army	sickly	crusty	crafty	thinly	stoutly
namely	hardy	thickly	trusty	grandly	pigmy	goodly
tamely	needy	fifty	ugly	lastly	nimbly	lumpy
badly	se e dy	shifty	snugly	plenty	solely	clumsy
madly	weedy	pansy	plucky	twenty	lonely	purely
sadly	greedy	tansy	lucky	pertly	homely	justly
gladly	deeply	loudly	barely	sternly	closely	sultry
partly	steeply	proudly	rarely	sleepy	sorely	lofty
tartly	freely	roundly	lately	sentry	gloomy	softly
smartly	steely	soundly	stately	envy		-

IV. DISSYLLABLES ENDING IN ING.

batting matting patting chatting betting getting letting netting	splitting twitting potting rotting spotting trotting butting cutting	flapping slapping trapping stepping dipping nipping ripping sipping	lopping mopping popping chopping shopping flopping slopping	flagging bragging dragging snagging egging begging digging logging	fibbing cribbing jobbing mobbing robbing rubbing clubbing grubbing
petting	nutting	tipping	cropping	flogging	shamming
setting	shutting	chipping	stopping	hugging	slamming
wetting	capping	shipping	swopping	lugging	cramming
fretting	lapping	clipping	supping	tugging	hemming
whetting	mapping	dripping	bagging	drugging	stemming
fitting	napping	gripping	fagging	dabbing	brimming
hitting	rapping	tripping	lagging	blabbing	trimming
sitting	sapping	whipping	nagging	grabbing	gumming
flitting	tapping	stripping	tagging	ebbing	humming
spitting	clapping	hopping	wagging	webbing	drumming

strumming drilling frilling adding gadding trilling madding swilling padding twilling bedding culling shedding dulling calling wedding sledding falling bidding galling walling ridding nodding darling manning starling tanning carting spanning darting penning parting inning smarting pinning starting sinning arming spinning farming tinning harming charming winning grinning arching cunning marching parching funning running starching sunning carding shunning darning stunning carping felling feeding telling heeding welling needing swelling weeding filling bleeding tilling speeding peeping willing shilling weeping

sleeping booming creeping blooming sweeping grooming soothing meeting sheeting sleeting ending bending greeting seeing lending mending fleeing seeming rending outing sending pouting tending routing wending blending shouting flouting spending spouting backing sprouting hacking bounding lacking hounding packing pounding quacking rounding racking sounding sacking counting mounting cooing wooing booting hooting looting rooting tooting shooting looping drooping trooping stooping swooping

tacking

blacking

clacking

cracking

tracking

smacking

pecking

specking

licking

picking

ticking

wicking

clicking

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tricking

sticking mocking rocking shocking smoothing blocking flocking stocking ducking sucking tucking chucking clucking plucking trucking cashing dashing gashing lashing mashing clashing flashing plashing slashing crashing smashing splashing dishing fishing wishing gushing hushing rushing blushing flushing slushing brushing

crushing

banging hanging clanging dinging ringing singing winging clinging flinging slinging bringing springing stinging swinging thronging panting ranting chanting planting granting renting tenting venting hinting tinting glinting printing squinting stinting bunting hunting grunting stunting camping tamping champing clamping

cramping	lumping	nesting	drafting	clasping	fumbling
tramping	pumping	resting	grafting	grasping	humbling
stamping	thumping	testing	lifting	lisping	mumbling
limping	trumping	cresting	sifting	ambling	rumbling
crimping	stumping	twisting	shifting	gambling	tumbling
romping	casting	costing	drifting	rambling	crumbling
bumping	fasting	dusting	helping	shambling	grumbling
dumping	lasting	rusting	gulping	trembling	stumbling
jumping	blasting	trusting	gasping		

Tell the child that the \bar{a} , \bar{i} , \bar{o} , and \bar{u} Sounds, in words ending in the *ing* Sound, are represented by these letters without the letter e, which has been dropped in almost all words ending in ing.

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dating	sharing	saving	draping	riding	smiling	dosing
hating	snaring	shaving	caning	siding	diving	hoping
mating	sparing	waving	waning	tiding	hiving	moping
rating	squaring	braving	planing	chiding	driving	sloping
plating	staring	craving	casing	gliding	striving	groping
slating	fading	graving	chasing	sliding	firing	posing
grating	lading	slaving	basting	dining	hiring	closing
prating	wading	gaming	hasting	fining	miring	boring
stating	shading	naming	pasting	lining	tiring	snoring
baring	grading	taming	tasting	miuing	wiring	storing
caring	trading	shaming	wasting	pining	piping	using
daring	spading	blaming	biting	shining	wiping	musing
faring	caving	flaming	smiting	twining	rising	tuning
paring	laving	framing	spiting	filing	voting	curing
flaring	paving	gaping	biding	piling	quoting	during
glaring	raving	shaping	biding	tiling		

V. DISSYLLABLES ENDING IN LE.

Few printed words end in 1. When a monosyllable ends in the 1 Sound, 11 is written for that Sound, as has already been observed. When dissyllables end in the 1 Sound, le is frequently written.

battle	prattle	throttle	straddle	coddle	babble	quibble
cattle	brittle	cuttle	peddle	noddle	gabble	cobble
rattle	whittle	shuttle	treddle	toddle	pebble	gobble
tattle	bottle	addle	riddle	puddle	nibble	bubble

stubble straggle dimple bramble jumble handle marble apple dwindle giggle pimple shamble mumble mantle grapple juggle simple tremble rumble spindle tussle ripple smuggle crimple nimble tumble swindle feeble tipple struggle rumple thimble grumble needle bundle whipple ample crumple bumble stumble trundle wheedle topple gamble noodle sample fumble candle startle supple trample ramble humble dandle poodle garble waggle temple

VI. DISSYLLABLES FOR ALL OF WHOSE SOUNDS THE PROPER CHARACTERS HAVE BEEN GIVEN.

abed	alarm	asiđe	ballot	belong	buffet
abhor	alas	asleep	balsam	bereft	cabin
abide	album	aspen	bamboo	beseech	cabins
abode	alert	assent	bandit	beseem	cadet
abound	alive	assist	banish	beset	cadets
about	alone	assort	bantam	beside	cajole
abrupt	along	astern	bantling	betide	caldron
absent	aloud	astound	baron	bet wee n	candid
absorb	alter	astride	barrack	beware	canine
abuse	alum	astute	barren	beyond	cannon
Adam	amid	atlas	basement	bishop	cannot
admire	amidst	atone	bedrid	bishops	canteen
admit	annoy	attach	bedlam	bittern	canteens
adopt	auon	attack	beehive	blemish	canvas
adore	ant-hill	attend	befall	bonfire	carat
adrift	anthem	attire	befor e	bonnet	carbon
adult	appall	attune	began	bonnets	careen
advent	Arab	aver	beget	bottom	careens
afar	argus	aware	begin	brandish	career
afoot	arise	awhile	begins	brethren	carmine
afresh	arose	baboon	begrime	brigade	carpet
agate	around	bagman	begun	brigand	carpets
agog	arrest	ballad	behav e	brigands	carrot
agree	ashes	ballast	behest	brimstone	carrots
aground	ashore	balloon	belate	brushwood	cartoon

desists effort felons culprits cartoons comma despise efforts ferment cumber casement command casements commend cumbers despot elders ferments emblem ferret cassock common currant despots dessert emblems ferrets cassocks currants compare fertile cutler destrov empire caster compose catmint compute dampen detach employ fervent comrade debase deters employs festers cavern confide debate detest enchant festoon caverus confine declare enchants chaffer detests festoons chandler confound defame devote endure fetlock confuse defend devout enjoy fetlocks chapman defer chaplet consent differs enjoys fifteen consist defers disband enlist chapter figure disbands console define enlists filbert ' chapters charter constant degrade discard enrich filberts charters consume degree discards enters fillet disclose checkmate contend demand entire fillets checker contends demands discreet entrap fillip denote checkers content disgust entraps filters cherish dentist finish contest disgusts envov cherub contests dentists dismount envovs flippant denude dismounts erase florin cherup contrast chevron contrasts depart dispute floring estate chicken contrive departs distant esteem flusters children depend divert esteems flutters convent clamber convents depends diverts evade forbid deplore divide forbids claret convert event deprive divine events closet converts foreground cloud-capt cornet deride docket errand forenoon cohweb corrupt derive dragon errands foresee cockade corrupts derrick dragons forest fagot coffin derricks costume dragoon fagots forests coffins desert (v.) falters cravat dragoons foretell combine credit desert (n.) druggist farewell forgave cricket desire comet druggists farthings forget drumstick felon culprit desist comets forgtes

fortune gusset hundreds insnare lapwings maroon housewife inspire fragment greenish lapdog maroons fragments greenbacks homesick install lapstone martin frigate gullet home-spun instep larrup martins fireside gunsmith himself mash-tub insteps larrups gunsmiths horrid footman insult Latin matin fishwife ground-swell hangman insults leghorn mattock foolish habit ignite intend leghorns method foreman habits imbibe intends lemon melon gallant haddock impart misdeed intent lemons gambit hamlet imparts leggings misled inters gamut hamlets implore invent lifelong millet impose gantlet hammock invents lime-tree misprint garland hammocks impure invert limit misspell garlands handbill limits impute inverts misspend hardship indeed garment invest limpid misstate garments harpoon indent invests linen mistrust indents invite linnet garnet harpoons misuse harvest infant iacket linnets modern garnets garnish hassock infants jackets linseed modest garret hassocks infers japan liquid molest helmet infest garrets jargon liquids moonshine livid morbid gathers helmets infests iob-lot gimlet herald inflame . locket mullet jog-trot gimlets heralds inflate lagoon lockets mushroom goblet hermit inhale lagoons lock-up mustang hermits inland goblets lament logwood muslin goblin hobnob inlet laments loophole madcap goblins holland inlets lamp-black madam mammoth golosh hornet inquire lampoon maggot manna Gorgon hornets insane lampoons magnet merit landlock mallet goslings hubbub insert mole-hill huckster landman mallets gossip inserts narrate gossips hucksters inshore landsman neckcloth mammon inside grandsire humbug lantern manhood Neptune grenade humbugs insist mannish nickname lanterns griffins hundred insists lapwing marches northern

outwits revile nostrum pilgrims publish remit punish nutmeg padlock piston remnant revive nutmegs padlocks pistons puppet riches remote nugget rickets palate . planet puppets repent repents rigor nuggets parade planets quagmire oblong parchment platoon rabbit repose rivet rabid reprint rivets obtuse parish platoons plummet racket reprints robin onset parrot reptile radish robins oppose parrots plummets orbit pocket repute rocket parsnep ragman order parsnip pockets rag-tag request rockets require partners polish rampart rosin organ pollen requite rubbish organs pastime ramrod pattern poltroon random resent russet ornate ostrich pavement poltroons ransack resents Sabbath outbid peevish rapid reside salad pontoon outbound peewit popgun ratan resin saloon resist outbrave peg-top poplin rattan saloons pellet recall resists salt-marsh outcast potash outcrop pennant prefers red-hot resort salt-mine outfit salt-pan pepsin prelate red-man resorts outlast perfume prepare redeem resound salvers resounds outlet perhaps present red-tape samite outline perish preside redound respire sand-bag outmarch persist red-wing respond presume sandstone outride pretend refers persists responds sandwich pretends refine sash-frame outrun person restore outsell refresh result satin persons prevent outset pervade prevents refund results satire pervert refuse outshine primers resume satteen outside perverts refute primrose retard selfish outsleep regard petard privet retards senate outstare picket problem regret retire sermon outstrip pickets problems relate retort serpent picklock outstrips relent profit servile retorts pigment outvote relish profits revert settee outwit pilgrim prospers remand reverts shamrock

sheepish snappish tarnish torrid unlock sherbet shallop tartan transmit unlocks shipment Shetland tartans transmits unman shin-bone shipshape tatting transfers unmans shorthand sidelong tattoo transmute unmeet signet side-arms transom unpack tavern slap-dash slap-jack transpire unpacks taverns slap-bang transplant unpin sonnet tempers slattern tempest transplants unpins sonnets slip-shod spare-rib tempests transpose unripe trappings solid spavin tenant unroot socket spigot tenants trellis unset sordid tennis tricksters spitfire unsets speeches spring-time tepid trombone unshod spendthrift stand-up thicket troop-ship unshorn spinet stirrup thickets troop-ships unsung spirit thousand stirrups trousers unswept splendid stoneware thousands trumpet untrod stagnant ticket trumpets untwine stuck-up tickets stockade summit turret nnwed stolid summits timid turrets unwept table-cloth tin-plate stripling umpire unwise sublime table-cloths tinman unbend uphill submit tablet tin-ware unbends upland submits tablets unbid uplands tippet subside taboo tirade unbound uplift subsist tadpole tomboy uplifts uncase subsists talent tombovs unclasp upon sullen talents tomtit unclasps uprise sultan Talmud tooth-pick unclothe uproot sunshine tooth-picks uncut uproots talon supplant talons torment unfit upset supplants tam-tam torments unhang upsets tandem upshot suppose torpid unbung suspend target torrent unjust upside sutlers targets

upstart upstarts valet valid vampire vanish vapid varnish veneer venom verdant vermin Vesper vestment visit visits vivid volume waggish walnut walnuts walrus wedlock welfare wicket windmill windpipe wisdom withdraw withers within without woodman woodland yard-stick



IN GREEN PASTURES.

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DIFFICULT DISSYLLABLES AND TRISYLLABLES.

The following list contains all the words of two and three syllables in the Mother Goose Melodies in this book which the child will probably have any trouble in making out for himself. Whenever he is unable to make out any one of these words as he meets it in his reading, refer him to this list. In case a child finds trouble with any monosyllable in his reading, refer him to the word in the list in which it is placed.

For key to the pronunciation of these words, see appendix.

- I. DIFFICULT SOUNDS OF A.
 any master wander
 many Mary patiently
 water lady garret
 marry
- other money
 mother covered
 mother's sometimes
 another going
 woman into
 - IV. DIFFICULT SOUNDS OF I. Simon piper's

wherever everywhere

pretty

V. DIFFICULT SOUNDS OF U. music pudding sugar

- VI. DIFFICULT SOUNDS OF AI. again against
- VII. DIFFICULT SOUND OF EA. meadow
- VIII. DIFFICULT SOUND OF EE.
- IX. DIFFICULT SOUNDS OF OW. meadow window followed
 - X. DIFFICULT SOUND OF OU. enough
 - XI. DIFFICULT SOUND OF G. gentlemen
 - XII. DIFFICULT SOUND OF GH. enough
 - XIII. DIFFICULT SOUND OF TI. patiently
- XIV. SILENT H.

 Johnny

PART V.

MOTHER GOOSE.

Old Mother Goose, when She wanted to wander, Would ride through the air On a very fine gander.

Mother Goose had a house;
'Twas built in a wood,
Where an owl at the door
For sentinel stood.

She had a son Jack—
A plain-looking lad;
He was not very good,
Nor yet very bad.

She sent him to market;
A live goose he bought.
"Here, mother," says he,
"It will not go for naught."

Jack found, one fine morning,
As I have been told,
His goose had laid him
An egg of pure gold.

Jack rode to his mother

The news for to tell;

She called him a good boy,

And said it was well.

Jack's mother came in,
And got the goose soon,
And, mounting its back,
Flew up to the moon.

Mother Goose's son Jack
Was a fine little man.
He got him a pack, and away he ran.
"I'll be a peddler," he said, "if I can."

Deedle, deedle, dumpling, my son John;
He went to bed with his stockings on;
One shoe off, and one shoe on,
Deedle, deedle, dumpling, my son John.

Baa, baa, black sheep,
Have you any wool?
Yes, marry, have I
Three bags full:
One for my master,
One for my dame,
But none for the little boy
That cries in the lane.

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall; Humpty Dumpty had a great fall. All the king's horses and all the king's men Cannot put Humpty Dumpty together again.

Dance to your daddy,
My bonny laddy;
Dance to your ninny,
My sweet lamb..
You shall have a fishy
In a little dishy,
And a whirl-i-giggy
And some nice jam.

There was a crooked man, and he went a crooked mile,

And he found a crooked sixpence against a crooked stile;

He caught a crooked cat, which caught a crooked mouse,

And they all lived together in a crooked little house.

Yankee Doodle came to town,
And how do you think they served him?
One took his bag, another his scrip,
The quicker for to starve him.

Sing! Sing! What shall I sing?
The cat's run away with the pudding bag string.

Jack and Jill
Went up the hill
To get a pail of water.
Jack fell down
And broke his crown,
And Jill came tumbling after.

Jack Sprat could eat no fat;
His wife could eat no lean;
So, betwixt them both, you see,
They left the platter clean.

Ride a cock horse to Banbury Cross To see an old woman ride on a brown horse. With rings on her fingers and bells on her toes, She shall have music wherever she goes.

As I was going to Saint Ives,
I met a man with seven wives.
Every wife had seven sacks;
Every sack had seven cats;
Every cat had seven kits.
Kits, cats, sacks, and wives,
How many were going to Saint Ives? [One.]

Bessy Bell and Mary Gray,
They were two bonny lasses;
They made their house upon the sea,
And covered it with rashes.

Bessy kept the garden gate, And Mary kept the pantry. Bessy always had to wait, And Mary lived in plenty.

If I had as much money as I could spend, I never would cry, "Old chairs to mend! Old chairs to mend!" I never would cry, "Old chairs to mend!"

Ding-dong, bell; the cat's in the well.
Who put her in? Little Tommy Green.
Who got her out? Little Tommy Trout.

What a naughty boy was that, To drown poor Pussy Cat, Who never did any harm, But kill'd the mice in his father's barn.

> Tommy Trot, a man of law, Sold his bed, and lay on straw— Sold the straw, and lay on grass, To get his wife a looking-glass.

What are little boys made of?
Hills and dales
And little dogs' tails,
And that's what little boys are made of.

What are little girls made of?
Sugar and spice
And everything nice,
And that's what little girls are made of.

This little pig went to market;
This little pig stayed at home;
This little pig got roast beef;
This little pig got none;
This little pig cried "Wee, wee," all the way home.

As I went by the garden gap,
Whom should I meet but Dick Red Cap—
A stick in his hand, a stone in his throat.
If you will tell me this riddle, I'll give you a groat.
[A cherry.]

Hickup, hickup, go away; Come again another day. Hickup, hickup, when I bake I will give to you a butter-cake. Three wise men of Gotham Went to sea in a bowl. If the bowl had been stronger, My song had been longer.

Tom, Tom, the piper's son, Stole a pig, and away he run. The pig was eat, and Tom was beat, And Tom went roaring down the street.

Handy, spandy, Jack a dandy, Loved plum-cake and sugar-candy. He got some at a candy-shop, And out he came with a hop, hop, hop.

I had a little hobby-horse, And it was dapple-gray; Its head was made of pea-straw; Its tail was made of hay.

I sold it to an old woman
For a copper groat,
And I'll not sing my song again
Without a new coat.

Higgledy, piggledy, my black hen, She lays eggs for gentlemen— Sometimes nine, and sometimes ten; Higgledy, piggledy, my black hen. The north wind will blow,
And we will have snow,
And what will the robin do then?

Poor thing!

He will sit in the barn,
And, to keep himself warm,
Will hide his head under his wing,
Poor thing!

Mary had a little lamb;
Its fleece was white as snow;
And everywhere that Mary went
The lamb was sure to go.

He followed her to school one day—
That was against the rule.

It made the children laugh and play
To see a lamb at school.

And so the teacher turned him out, But still he lingered near, And waited patiently about Till Mary did appear.

"What makes the lamb love Mary so?"
The eager children cry.
"O, Mary loves the lamb, you know,"

The teacher did reply.

The moon came too late to the twinkling sky
To see what the stars were about.
"Fair night," said she, "is the family in?"
"O no! they are every one out."

Polly, put the kettle on; Polly, put the kettle on; Polly, put the kettle on; And let's drink tea.

I saw a ship a-sailing—
A-sailing on the sea—
And oh! it was all loaded
With pretty things for thee.

There was candy in the cabin;
There were apples in the hold;
The sails were made of silk,
And the masts were made of gold.

Little Poll Parrot
Sat in the garret,
Eating toast and tea.
A little brown mouse
Jumped into the house
And stole it all away.

The girl on the hill that couldn't speak plain Cried "Gobble, gobble, gobble." The man on the hill that couldn't stand still Went hobble, hobble, hobble.

For to catch a hare.

He rode an ass about the streets,
But couldn't find one there.

He went to shoot a wild duck, But wild duck flew away. Said Simon, "I can't hit him, Because he will not stay."

Simple Simon went a-fishing For to catch a whale. All the water he had got Was in his mother's pail.

There was a pretty lad,
And he lived by himself,
And all the meat he got
He put upon a shelf.

The rats and the mice
Did lead him such a life
That he went to Ireland
To get himself a wife.

- 1. This pig went to the barn.
- 2. This ate all the corn.
- 3. This said he would tell.
- 4. This said he wasn't well.
- 5. This went "Week! week!" over the doorsill.

If all the seas were one great sea, What a great sea that would be! And if all the trees were one tree, What a great tree that would be!

And if all the axes were one ax, What a great ax that would be! And if all the men were one man, What a great man that would be!

And if the great man took the great ax, And cut down the great tree, And let it fall into the great sea, What a splish-splash that would be!

[&]quot;Let us go to the wood," said this pig.

[&]quot;What to do there?" says this pig.

[&]quot;To look for my mother," says this pig.

[&]quot;What to do with her?" says that pig.

[&]quot;Kiss her to death," says this pig.

To market, to market, to buy a fat pig; Home again, home again, jiggety-jig. To market, to market, to buy a fat hog; Home again, home again, jiggety-jog.

Here we go round the bramble bush, The bramble bush, the bramble bush; Here we go round the bramble bush, On a cold, frosty morning.

This is the way we wash our clothes, Wash our clothes, wash our clothes; This is the way we wash our clothes, On a cold, frosty morning.

This is the way we clean our rooms, Clean our rooms, clean our rooms; This is the way we clean our rooms, On a cold, frosty morning.

Barber, barber, shave a pig. How many hairs will make a wig? Five-and-twenty—that's enough. Give the poor barber a pinch of snuff.

Curly Locks, Curly Locks, wilt thou be mine? Thou shalt not wash dishes, nor yet feed the swine. Molly, my sister, and I fell out; And what do you think it was all about? She loved coffee and I loved tea, And that was why we couldn't agree.

Hey! diddle-diddle,
The cat and the fiddle;
The cow jumped over the moon;
The little dog laughed
To see such sport,
And the dish ran away with the spoon.

Pick-a-pack, pick-a-pack; Sister, get upon my back; Clasp your arms about me close, While I hold your little toes.

Six little snails
Lived in a tree.

Johnny threw a big stone—
Down came three.

There was an old woman Lived under a hill; She put a mouse in a bag And sent it to mail. "Old woman, old woman, old woman," said I,
"Whither, O whither, O whither, so high?"
"To sweep the cobwebs from the sky,
And I'll be with you by-and-by."

Old Betty Blue
Lost a holiday shoe.
What can Old Betty do?
Give her another
To match the other,
And then she may swagger in two.

Riddle-me, riddle-me, riddle-me-ree.

Perhaps you can tell what this riddle may be:

As deep as a house, as round as a cup,

And all the king's horses can't draw it up.

[A well.]

The little boy in the barn
Lay down on some hay;
The owl came out and flew about,
And the little boy ran away.

Little Tom Tucker, sing for your supper.
What shall he sing for? White bread and butter.
How shall he cut it without any knife?
How shall he marry without any wife?

Johnny shall have a new bonnet, And Johnny shall go to the fair; And Johnny shall have a new ribbon To tie up his bonny brown hair.

And why may not I love Johnny?
And why may not Johnny love me?
And why may not I love Johnny
As well as another body?

And here's a leg for a stocking, And here is a kiss for a shoe; And he has a kiss for his daddy, And two for his mammy, I trow.

Is John Smith within?
Yes; that he is.
Can he set a shoe?
Yes, marry, two.
Here a nail, and there a nail—
Tick, tack, too.

There was an old woman in Surry
Who was, morn, noon and night, in a hurry,
Called her husband a fool,
Drove her children to school—
This little old woman in Surry.

Little Boy Blue, come blow your horn;
The sheep's in the meadow, the cow's in the corn.
Where's the little boy that looks after the sheep?
He's under the haycock, fast asleep.
Will you wake him? No; not I,
For if I do, he'll be sure to cry.

Once I saw a little bird Come hop, hop, hop; So I cried, "Little bird, Will you stop, stop, stop?"

And was going to the window
To say "How do you do?"
But he shook his little tail
And far away he flew.

O, look at the moon;
She is thinking up there.
O mother, she looks
Like a lamp in the air.

Last week she was smaller, And just like a bow, But now she is bigger, And round as an O. I had a little husband,

No bigger than my thumb;
I put him in a pint-pot

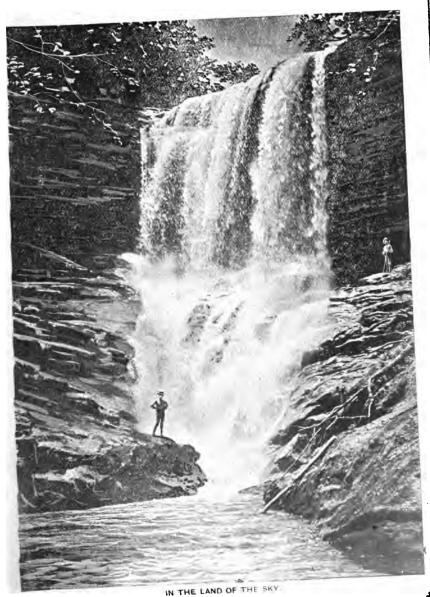
And there I bid him drum.

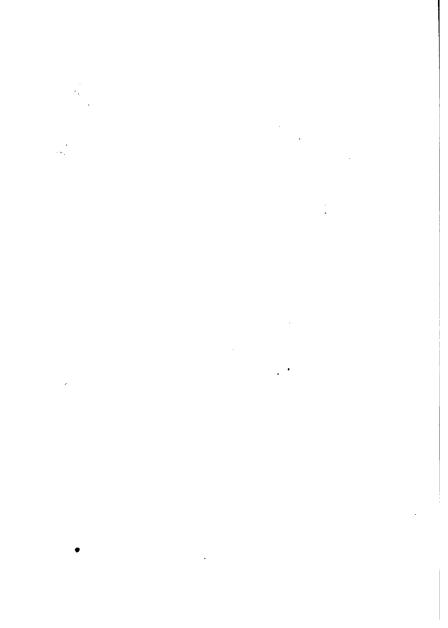
Clap hauds, clap hauds,
O Tommy Randy,
Did you see my good man?
They call him Cock-a-Bandy.

Pease pudding hot,
Pease pudding cold,
Pease pudding in the pot
Nine days old.

Some like it hot;
Some like it cold;
Some like it in the pot
Nine days old.

And since Master Jelf
Was put on the shelf
Because he would not spell pie,
Let him stand there, so grim,
And no more about him,
For I wish him a very good-bye.





FABLES.

THE FOOLISH DOG.

A man had a dog so bad that he tied to his neck a chain with a block at the end. The dog was so proud of his block that he would turn up his nose at all the dogs he met. One day a smart old dog said to him: "If you had sense enough to know why your master tied that block on you, you would hang your head in shame."

THE DEER'S HORNS AND LEGS.

A deer went to a lake to drink. When he saw his likeness in the clear water, he said, "What splendid horns I have! How proud I am of them! But my poor little slim legs! I am ashamed of them!" Just then he heard the cry of hunters and hounds. In a flash he was away. His little thin legs took him on from the men and the hounds so fast that he began to feel safe. But his great horns got caught in some branches. Before he could get loose, the hounds were on him. "Poor fool!" said he; "my slim legs would have saved my life but for my clumsy horns."

THE WOLF AND THE LAMB.

A hungry wolf one day came to a creek where a little lamb was drinking. The wolf made up his mind to kill and eat the lamb, but first tried to give a good excuse. He said, "I am going to kill you because you said mean things about me last year." The lamb said, "Oh no! Last year I had not been born." "Well," said the wolf, "it was your brother, and one of the name's as good as the same." "I never had a brother," said the lamb. "But you are insulting me now, for you are standing in the water I am trying to drink, and muddying it." "No, I am not," said the lamb, "for you see that I am below you." Then the wolf got very mad, and said, "Stop your foolish excuses." He then jumped on the poor lamb, took him away, and ate him up.

THE GREEDY DOG.

A dog once stole a large piece of meat, and started home with it. On his way he had to cross a creek. When he was about the middle of the log, he looked down and saw in the water his likeness and that of the meat. He thought he saw another dog with a larger piece of meat. He made a grab for this meat too, and so lost what he had.

THE FOX AND THE CRANE.

A fox one day asked a crane to dinner. The only thing he set on the table was a large flat dish, full of soup. The crane could get only a few drops, but the fox could lap up the soup with his tongue.

A few days after, the crane asked the fox to dinner. The only thing he set on the table was a very tall vessel with meat in it. The fox could get only what ran down the sides as the crane helped himself easily with his long bill.

The fox laughed, and said that the crane had served him just right.

THE WICKED DOG.

A man once had a dog he trusted so much that he let him take care of his sheep. When the master was out of sight, the dog would hurt the sheep. He killed two or three of them. At last the master caught him, and got a rope to hang him. The dog began to whine. "Do not hang me," said the dog, "hang the wolf, for he has killed ten times as many of your sheep as I have." But the master said, "Yes, I will hang you. You are ten times meaner than the wolf, for you did me harm when I trusted you."

THE WOLF, THE FOX, AND THE APE.

A wolf once said that a fox had stolen some meat which he had put away. The fox denied the charge. They agreed to let an ape try the case. After hearing from both of them, the ape said, "Master Wolf, I do not think that you lost any meat. Master Fox, I think that you stole the meat."

A fool cannot be a just judge.

THE ANT AND THE DOVE.

An ant went to a river to drink, and fell in. He would have been drowned but for a dove, who threw into the river a large leaf. The ant got upon this leaf, and rode to the bank.

A few days after, the ant saw a hunter aim at the dove with his gun. He bit the hunter's foot just as he was going to shoot. The man missed his aim, and the dove's life was saved.

THE RAT WITH A BELL.

An old house was full of rats. They got up the walls and ate the meat, though it was hung as high as the roof. They ate their way to the store-room, and got at the jam and sweets. They bit through the planks, and ran up and down the room. The cat could not get at them. They were too sharp and too well fed to come near traps, though now

and then one more foolish than the rest was caught. On one of these a bell was tied. He was then set free.

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Full of joy, the rat ran to see his old playmates. They heard the bell go "tink, tink, tink." Then they ran away as fast as they could. Before he could reach them, they were all up and off—some this way, some that. Not a tail of them was to be seen.

He ran them from hole to hole, and from room to room, while he would stop now and then to laugh. And so he drove them from the house. "That's right," said he; "the less there are, the more for me," and he made the best meal of his life off the good things.

For two or three days he was very happy. He ate and ate, and was in high glee. At last he became sick of such a life, where he had no one to speak to, and would have been very glad to mix with the other rats once more.

But how was he to get rid of his bell? He gave a tug with his teeth, and wore the skin off his neck, but he could not get the bell off. He went from room to room, and tried to let some of his old playmates see him, but they were all gone from the house. At last, as he crept through the lonely house, sad and weak, he fell in the way of Pussy, and was caught at once and killed.

THE OWL.

When cats run home and light is come,
And dew is cold upon the ground,
And the far-off stream is dumb,
And the whirring sail goes round,
And the whirring sail goes round;
Alone and warming his five wits,
The white owl in the belfry sits.

When merry milkmaids click the latch
And rarely smells the new-mown hay,
And the cock hath sung beneath the thatch
Twice or thrice his roundelay,
Twice or thrice his roundelay;
Alone and warming his five wits,
The white owl in the belfry sits.

Tennyson.



APPENDIX.

KEY TO THE PRONUNCIATION OF DIFFICULT MONOSYLLABLES AND DIFFICULT DISSYLLABLES AND TRISYLLABLES.

again (ă-gĕn)	eight (āt)	I'm (īm)
against (ă-gĕnst)	else (ĕls)	into (ĭn-tô)
ah (â)	enough (ĕ-nŭf)	John (jŏn)
another (ă n ŭ th-ėr)	everywhere	Johnny (jŏn-nĭ)
any (ĕn-nĭ)	(ĕv-ėr-ĭ-hwėr)	juice (jôs)
are (âr)	eye(ī)	key (kē)
aunt (ânt)	eyes (īz)	lady (lā-dǐ)
axe (ăks)	field (fēld)	laugh (lâf)
baa (bâ or bā	fierce (fērs)	laughed (lâft)
bath (bâth)	flew (flô)	ma'am (măm)
been (bin)	flood (flŭd)	many (měn-ĭ)
blood (blŭd)	floor (flör)	marry (măr-rĭ)
hlue (blô)	followed (fŏl-lōd)	Mary (Mā-rǐ)
broad (brawd)	friend (frĕnd)	master (mâs-tėr)
bull (bool)	fruit (frôt)	master [title] (măs-têr)
bush (boosh)	full (fool)	masts (mâsts)
bye (bī)	garret (găr-rĕt)	meadow (mĕd-ō)
calf (kâf)	gentlemen .	money (m ŭ n-ĭ)
calm (kâm)	(jĕn-tl-mĕn)	mother (mŭth-ėr)
cant (kânt)	George (jŏrj)	mother's (mŭth-ėrz)
cent (sĕnt)	going (gö-ĭng)	music (mū-zǐk)
chief (chēf)	gone (gŏn)	niece (nēs)
coffee (kŏf-fĭ)	grief (grēf)	of (ŏv)
corn (kawrn)	ha (hâ)	often (ŏffn)
cough (kŏf)	half (hâf)	oh (ō)
covered (kŭv-ėrd)	heart (hârt)	once (wŭns)
does (dŭz)	hey (hā)	one (wŭn)
door (dōr)	I(ī)	ones (wŭnz)
dozen (dŭzn)	I'll (īl)	other (ŭth-èr)

oven (ŭvn)	rule (rôl)	their (th ā r)
pass (pâs)	said (sĕd)	there (thār)
past (pâst)	says (ses)	they (tha)
path (pâth)	school (skôl)	tongue (tŭng)
patiently (pā-shĕnt-lĭ)	sew (sō)	wander (wŏn-dèr)
piece (pēs)	shield (shēld)	warm (wawrm)
piper's (pī-perz)	shoe (shô)	water (waw-ter)
pretty (prĭt-tĭ)	shoes (shôs)	were (wer)
pudding (pood-ĭng)	Simon (Sī-mŏn)	where (hwār)
pull (pool)	sleigh (slā)	where's (hwārz)
push (poosh)	sometimes (sŭm-tīmz)	wherever (hwar-ev-er)
puss (poos)	sport (sport)	whey (hwā)
put (poot)	sugar (shoog-er)	window (wĭn-dō)
raft (râft)	sure (shôr)	wolf (woolf)
rogue (rōg)	swarm (swawrm)	woman (wooman)

māte, mǎt, fâr law; mēte, mět, her; pīne, pǐn; nōte, nŏt, môve; cow, boy, foot; pūre, bud.





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